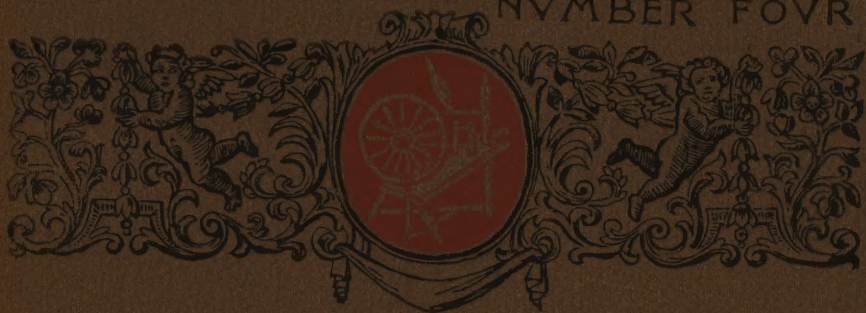


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AND
CURIOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

AMONG the mass of advertisements that have appeared from time to time in newspapers are to be found some which are very quaint and curious. Such are not, in all cases, intended by the writers to be so; but they sound so, especially to those persons who have an ear for strange or humorous things. Sometimes, indeed, it is the intention of the writers to attract particular notice by the wording of the advertisement. Oftentimes the matter may have been dictated by illiterate persons. Frequently the nature of the subject is itself sufficient to excite our humorous feelings. But whatever may be the object of the adver-

tiser, these productions are often amusing and interesting enough to be reproduced for the benefit of those who cannot conveniently read the originals.

In 1767 "the Prince of the Power of the Air reigned with almost uncontroled Restraint," according to a book published.

THIS DAY PUBLISHED,
An ADDRESS to
PERSONS of FASHION,
Concerning frequenting of
PLAYS, BALLS, ASSEMBLIES, CARD-TABLES, &c.
In which is introduced the Character of
LUCINDA.

Printed & Sold by *W McAlpine*, in Marlboro'-street.

* * A Pamphlet worthy the serious Attention of every Christian, especially at a Time when Vice and Immorality seems to have an Ascendency over Religion, and the Prince of the Power of the Air reigns with almost an uncontroled Restraint.

Boston Gazette, May 21, 1767.

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In the year 1759 competition in trade had not reached the proportions that it has since

assumed, for the “ill-natured opposition” which two women met with according to the “Boston Gazette” of August 13, that year, was probably nothing more or less than the treatment of some competitor in the same line, — perhaps a man mean enough to undersell. Such things have frequently occurred in our day, — some mammoth establishment cutting prices purposely, to drive some poor woman out of business whose sole dependence is in a small shop selling cotton, pins, needles, etc., barely making a living at it. “Rule or ruin” is the motto of too many in these days; and such men are called “smart,” and if they get rich are fairly worshipped for their enterprise.

Sarah Todd and Mary Purcell

Hereby inform the Publick that (notwithstanding the ill-natur'd Opposition they have met with, though not from the Landlord, who has fulfill'd his Engagement to them) they have remov'd their Shop from opposite the Old-Brick Meeting-House in Cornhill to the House lately occupied by Mrs. *Elizabeth Campbell*, next Door to Deacon *Boutineau's* in Cornhill, *Boston*, where they hope their Friends and others will favour them with their Custom, and whom they engage to

supply with the following Articles at the lowest Rate that any fair Trader can afford them for Cash. *VIZ.*

India Taffities, Grograms, Persians, black and colour'd Sattins, Silk, Callamancoe, Tammie, and Horse Hair quilted Petticoats, a Variety of the newest fashion'd Prussian Cloaks and Hatts, with figur'd Silk and Trimming for ditto, 6-4 and yard-wide Muslin, Long Lawn, Cambrick, clear and flower'd Lawns, Cyprus, Gauze, Tandem Holland, Damask Table Cloths, India Gingham, white Callico, Cap Lace, black Bone Lace, and Trolly ditto, white and colour'd Blond Lace, Stone sett in Silver Shoe Buckles, Sleeve Buttons, Stock Tape, Sattin Jockeys with Feathers for Boys, brocaded silk, black Sattin and Russel Shoes, black Sattin Bonnetts and Hatts, Pastboard Stomachers, Cotton, Thread and Worsted Mens and Womens Hose, a great Variety of Ribbons, Necklaces and Earrings, black and white Silk Mitts, Kid and Lamb Gloves and Mitts, French ditto, Cotton, Cambrick and Scotch Threads, with a great Variety of Millenary Goods, too many to enumerate.  *The said Todd and Purcell having spare Room in said House, can accommodate young Ladies with Board and Lodging at a reasonable Rate.*

In 1760 the town clerk of Boston issued a notice to the public in reference to persons forestalling the market by falsely representing to

farmers and others that the small-pox was prevalent in the town, which had so frightened the market-men that they were glad to sell outside the town and at lower prices than they otherwise would have done.

BOSTON, February 13, 1760.

WHEREAS fundry evil minded Persons in some of the neighbouring Towns, to discourage the Market-People coming into this Town with their Provisions, and that they may have an Opportunity to purchase at low Rates, and sell them here at an exorbitant Price, have industriously reported that the Small-Pox for some Time past has been in this Town, and now prevails here :

THESE are to Inform the Public, that for near two Years past, there has been only one Person taken down in this Town with the Small-Pox, which is upwards of a Month past, who upon discovery of it was immediately removed to the Hospital, and there died, and no other Person has had it, or any Symptoms of it since.—That Yesterday there was a general Visitation of the Town by the Justices of the Peace, Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, and upon their Report last Evening of the State and Circumstances of the Inhabitants, I hereby Certify that there is not an Infectious Distemper of any Sort, known to be in Town.—AND as the above false Reports have been Propa-

gated to the great Prejudice of this Town by those who employ themselves in Engrossing Provisions and Foretalling the Market, (many of whom are known to the Selectmen :) They are hereby particularly Notified, That unless they desist from such wicked and abusive Practices, they will be prosecuted on the Act of the Province, for making and publishing such Lyes and false Reports.— By Order of the Selectmen,
Ezekiel Goldthwait, Town Clerk.

Many Country-People have imagined by seeing Silks hanging on Poles, that the Small-Pox is in such Houses; but their Surmises are entirely groundless, they being hung out at the Silk Dyers for drying.

Boston Gazette.

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In 1760 the Committee of Tradesmen advise voters to “put on Sabbath Day Clothes” and “wash their Hands and Faces” before going to town meeting the next day. They also speak of the “New and Grand Corcas,” meaning probably caucus. This is from the “Boston Gazette,” May 12.

THE Committee of Tradesmen hereby advise their Constituents and others to set apart a decent Portion of Time (at least one Hour) previous to the Opening of the Town-Meeting To-Morrow to shift

themselves and put on their Sabbath Day Clothes, also to wash their Hands and Faces, that they may appear neat and cleanly; Inasmuch as it hath been reported to said Committee of Tradesmen that Votes are to be GIVEN AWAY by the delicate Hands of the *New and Grand Corcas*; and they would have no Offence given to Turk or Jew, much less to Gentlemen who attend upon so *charitable* a design.—Nothing of the *least Significancy* was transacted at a late Meeting of the said new and grand Corcas to require any further Attention of said Committee.

Boston Gazette, May 12, 1760.

Some one is “desired to refresh his memory” in 1767. Such mistakes remind us of Willis Gaylord Clark’s account of an announcement he once heard at a revival meeting somewhere in New York State. The minister said: “I would *adnounce* to this *codingregation* [through his nose] that, *prebably* by mistake, there was left at this house of prayer this morning a small *cotting* umbrella, very much worn and of an exceeding*lie* pale blue color; in the place whereof was taken one that was new and of great beauty. I say, brethren and sisters, that it was *prebably* by mistake that of

these two articles the one was taken and the other left; but it was a very improper mistake, and should be discountenanced if possible. Blunders of this sort are getting to be a *leetle* too common."

Taken (as is supposed by Mistake)

last Wednesday from the Representatives Chamber in *Boston*, a long Camblet Cloak, lin'd with red Baize: Whoever has taken the same is desired to refresh his Memory, and return it to Mr. *Baker*, Keeper of the Court-House.

Sept. 5, 1767.

By an advertisement in the "Boston Gazette," Oct. 19, 1767, we learn that the young ladies of Boston had an opportunity to learn to paint on "gauze and catgut," which we suppose at that time was considered "high art."

To the Young Ladies of *Boston*.

ELIZABETH COURTNEY, as several Ladies has signified of having a desire to learn that most ingenious art of Painting on Gauze & Catgut,

propofes to open a School, and that her bufinefs may be a public good, defigns to teach the making all forts of French Trimmings, Flowers, and Feather Muffs and Tippetts. And as thofe arts above mentioned (the Flowers excepted) are entirely unknown on the Continent, ſhe flatters herfelf to meet with all due encouragement; and more ſo, as every Lady may have a power of ferving herfelf of what ſhe is now obliged to fend to England for, as the whole procefs is attended with little or no expence. The Conditions are *Five Dollars* at entrance, to be confin'd to no particular hours or time: And if they apply conſtant, may be compleat in fix weeks. And when ſhe has fifty ſubſcribers, ſchool will be open'd, as not being defigned to open a ſchool under that number, her propoſals being to each perſon ſo eaſy, but to return to thoſe who have ſubſcrib'd their money again, and keep the bufinefs to herfelf.

N. B. Feather Muffs and Tippetts to be had; and Gauze waſh'd to look as well as new.

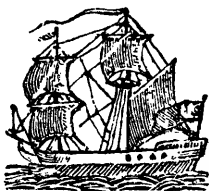
Pleaſe to inquire at Mr. *Courtney's*, Taylor, four Doors below the Mill-Bridge, North-End.



Sept. 14, 1761, Samuel Gardner and Joſeph Cabot of Salem offer a “ſnow” (two-maſted veſſel) for ſale, that “goeth well.”

TO BE SOLD, by *Samuel Gardner*,
Francis and Joseph Cabot of Salem, on reasonable
 Terms; a SNOW burthened about One hundred
 and seventy Tons, well built and fitted, goeth well;
 She has 10 Carriage and 6 Swivel Guns, belonging to
 her.

In June, 1762, "gentleman seamen" were
 offered a chance to ship. "Post-Boy."



Now bound on a CRUIZE
 of Six Months,
 Against his Majesty's Enemies,
 The Brigantine *Tartar*,
 A prime Sailer, mounting Four-
 teen Six Pounders, Twenty Co-
 horns, and will carry One
 Hundred and Twenty Men,

Commanded by *William Augustus Peck*.

ALL Gentlemen SEAMEN and
 able bodied LANDMEN, who have a Mind to make
 their Fortunes, and are inclined to take a Cruize in
 said Vessel, by applying to the *KING'S-HEAD* Tav-
 ern at the North-End may view the Articles, which
 are more advantageous to the Ship's Company than
 ever were before offered in this Place.

Boston, June 28, 1762.

In 1762 the front part of a house is to be let near the "Orange-Tree" in Boston. The "Orange-Tree" was a tavern.

TO be LETT, *The front Part of the House that Deacon Gibson formerly liv'd in, a little below the Orange-Tree; for further Information, inquire of Mr. Increase Blake, living in the back Part of said House and know further.*

In September, 1767, those persons who were indebted to Mr. George Bray and who did not wish to be waited upon by a "monitor" — otherwise a constable — were reminded of their duty in the following quaint notice from the "Boston Gazette:" —

IF those who are indebted to Mr. George Bray will pay what they owe him to me his Attorney on or before the 26th Day of next Month, they will save me the Trouble of sending, and themselves of paying a MONITOR, who will at least remind them that in ancient Times People were desired to "OWE NO MAN ANY THING, BUT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER": Which I believe is as obligatory, I am sure as necessary, to be

observed now as it was then; especially considering Mr. *Bray's* repeated Losses by Fire, his having a large Family to maintain, and also being a long Time out of Business.

Boston, Sept. 26, 1767. JOHN BALL.

N. B. Beware of suing, for no further Warning will be given. J. B.

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In 1767 Widow Hendry had “a very chargeable family,” and had suffered by a recent fire in “Paddy’s Alley.”

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THIS is to give notice that the

Widow *Hendry*, having had her Workshop destroyed in the late Fire in Paddy’s Alley, carries on the Farrier’s Business on Scarlet’s Wharf, at the North End, where she hopes her Customers will continue their Favors to her, in her deplorable Circumstances, having a very chargeable Family, and met with very heavy Losses by the said Fire.

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After the same fire Jonathan Payson missed a pair of “Brass Dogs” (andirons), etc.

Sundry Things miſſing after the late Fire, *viz.* One Pair of Braſs Doggs, caſt ſolid, very heavy and large; 22 yards of Hamburgh Sheet- ing; one Bell metal Skillet, and one Silver Spoon — The Perſons that took them in not knowing who they may belong to, I take this Method to inform them that they belong to the Subscriber.

JONATHAN PAYSON.

Lead sashes in use in 1767.

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 TO BE SOLD,  
 A Number of Windows, set in  
 Lead. Inquire of the Printers.

BOSTON, Printed by *Edes and Gill*, 1767.

In July, 1761, among the rough element, there seems to have been a "boom" in breaking windows and throwing stones. This state of things reached such a pitch that the Gov-



ernor was forced to issue a Proclamation offering a reward for the detection of the offenders.

By HIS EXCELLENCY

FRANCIS BERNARD, Esq;

Captain-General and Governor in Chief, in and over  
His Majesty's Province of the *Massachusetts Bay*,  
in *New-England*, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

A P R O C L A M A T I O N

*W*HEREAS certain Persons, who remain hitherto undiscovered, have of late committed great Disorders in the Night-Time, within several Towns in this Province, and particularly have broke the Windows of some Meeting Houses, and of the Dwelling-Houses of several Persons, by flinging therein great Stones and Bricks, thereby indangering the Lives of the Inhabitants, as well as injuring their Houses, against the Peace of our Sovereign Lord the King, and in Contempt of his Laws :

I HAVE therefore thought fit, with the Advice of His Majesty's Council, to issue this Proclamation, requiring all Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Constables, and all other Officers whom it may concern, and also recommending it to all other His Majesty's good Subjects within this Province, to use their utmost Endeavours for discovering and bringing to Justice all

Persons concerned in such disorderly and riotous Practices.

AND I do hereby promise, that whosoever shall discover and detect all or any of the Persons concerned therein, so that they or any of them may be lawfully convicted of any such Offences, shall receive out of the Public Treasury of this Province the Sum of *TEN POUNDS* Lawful Money, as a Reward to be paid upon the Conviction of such Offender or Offenders.

*GIVEN at the Council-Chamber in Boston, the Seventh Day of July, 1761, in the First Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c.*

Fr. Bernard.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. OLIVER, Secr.

GOD Save the KING.

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In the "Boston Gazette," this same year, August 10, Samuel Smith objected to people reporting that he "was run away."

*WHEREAS it has been falsely reported by some ill minded litigious Persons that I, the Subscriber, was run away, THIS is to inform*

*the Public, and especially those that it doth concern, That I have been no further than Philadelphia, a Trading, with a Design to return Home in about two Months, but return'd Home one Week sooner ; and be it KNOWN notwithstanding all the false Reports about me, I am to be spoke with at my Dwelling-House at the North End, or upon 'Change, every Day in the Week.*

Samuel Smith.

N. B. Said Smith has a House at the North End of the Town to Lett ; also two Rooms in another House in said Part of the Town ; he has likewise another House in said Part of the Town, which he would be willing to exchange for one further Southward.

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Quaint advertisement of a paper-maker in the "Boston Gazette," Nov. 23, 1767.

#### ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Manufacturers of PAPER at Milton beg the Favor of the Public to furnish them with what Linnen Rags they can spare, for which the greatest possible Allowance will be given.—All Persons dispos'd in this Way to encourage so useful a Manufacture, are hereby acquainted that Linnen Rags and old Paper (to be kept separate from each other) will be receiv'd at the following Places, viz.

In Boston, at Mr. Caleb Davis's Shop near the Fortification, Mr. Thomas Chase near Liberty-Tree, Mr. Andrew Gillespie, Tobacconist, in Fore-Street, Mr. John Bois's House in Long-Lane, and at Edes & Gill's Printing-Office in Queen-Street.—At Mr. Ellson's Master of the Workhouse in Salem; at Mr. Williams's Master of the Workhouse in Marblehead, to each of whom we have been already much oblig'd. —At Mr. Bulkeley Emerson Stationer in Newbury-Port, and at Mr. Daniel Fowle's, Printer in Portsmouth.——If any Person will favor us in this Way, who live near Winnifimet-Ferry, or in Black Horse Lane in Boston, or in the Center of the Town of Charlestown, they are desir'd to send their Names to Edes and Gill's Printing-Office.——As large Quantities of Paper fortunately arriv'd from Europe before the Duties could be demanded, it is hoped before that can be consum'd, there will be sufficient of this Country Manufacture for future Use.

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*THE PRINTERS of this Paper beg Leave to Advertise their Customers, that they have lately purchas'd a new Set of TYPES, at a very great Expence, which will be improved for the Entertainment and Instruction of the Public. They only desire that those Gentlemen who are in Arrears for more than a Twelvemonth, wou'd be kind enough for their Encouragement to pay off their respective Balances, as soon as may be, in Cash, or*

*good clean Linnen Rags, the latter of which they prefer.*

\* \* Choice WRITING PAPER, manufactured at Milton, to be Sold by the Printers hereof.

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As Mr. Turner, the dancing-master, had “suffered much by booking,” we infer that some people had “danced without paying the fiddler.”

*DANCING ACADEMY,*  
CONCERT-HALL.

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MR. TURNER informs the Ladies and Gentlemen in town and country, that he has reduced his price for teaching, from *Six Dollars* entrance to *One Guinea*, and from *Four Dollars* per month to *Three*. Those Ladies and Gentlemen who propose sending their children to be taught, will notice, that no books will be kept, as Mr. T. has suffered much by booking. The pupils must pay monthly, if they are desirous the School should continue.

*Boston, March 29, 1788.*

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Mary Billings, opposite the Governor's, sold lottery tickets in 1761. (December 7.)

## A FEW TICKETS IN SUDBURY - LOTTERY,

Which will certainly commence Drawing on the 22d of this Month, may be had of the Managers in *Sudbury* or of *Edes and Gill and Green and Ruffell*, Printers in Queen-Street *Boston*.

|    | S  | C   | H        | E    | M  | E           |
|----|----|-----|----------|------|----|-------------|
| 1  | of | 500 | Dollars. | 180  | of | 10 Dollars. |
| 15 | of | 100 |          | 80   | of | 8           |
| 20 | of | 50  |          | 51   | of | 6           |
| 20 | of | 40  |          | 1315 | of | 4           |
| 10 | of | 20  |          |      |    |             |

To be Sold by *Mary Billings*, opposite the GOVERNOR'S—Cardinal Silks and Trimmings, with many other Articles, cheap for Cash.

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From “Boston Gazette,” Sept. 8, 1760:

TO be Sold by *Henry Paget*, of *Providence*, a Tract of Land, partly improved, lying in *Weyer River* Parish, being the North Part of said Parish, and joins to *Greenwich* and *Hardwick*, containing about 2400 Acres—laid out in 100 Acre Lotts; to be Sold together, or in Lots. Said Land will be Sold reasonable for prompt Pay; or if the Purchaser can't pay the whole, good Security will be taken.

*N. B.* There 's a settled Minister in said Parish much approved of.

Sporting in Boston, in 1790. From the "Massachusetts Centinel," May 1.

WHEREAS great danger daily arises to the Inhabitants, from the frequency of persons gunning or shooting birds, at various parts of the town, in direct violation of the law; the Selectmen would now acquaint the inhabitants, that they have appointed Mr. SHUBAEL HEWES to take notice of all such persons, who may be found shooting within the limits of the town in future, and prosecute them, without exception, to the utmost extent of the law.

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PAUL REVERE AS A DENTIST.

In the "Boston Gazette," Dec. 19, 1768, appears the following curious advertisement:

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WHEREAS many Persons are so unfortunate as to lose their Fore-Teeth by Accident, and otherways, to their great Detriment, not only in Looks, but speaking both in Public and Private:— This is to inform all such, that they may have them re-placed with artificial Ones, that looks as well as the Natural, & answers the End of Speaking to all Intents, by *PAUL REVERE*, Goldsmith, near the Head of Dr. *Clarke's Wharf, Boston*.

\* \* All Persons who have had false Teeth fixt by Mr. *John Baker*, Surgeon-Dentist, and they have got loose (as they will in Time) may have them fastened by the above, who learnt the Method of fixing them from Mr. *Baker*.

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Escape of a negro man slave who “can play on a Fiddle, and loves strong Drink.”

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FIVE DOLLARS Reward.

RAN-away from his Master the 25th Day of November last, at North-Kington, in the Colony of Rhode-Island, a well-set Negro Man Slave, named Isaac, about 5 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high, with a Scar on his Forehead, between 30 and 40 Years old, thick Beard, can play on a Fiddle, and loves strong Drink; had on and carried with him a lightish-colour'd Thick-set Coat, a blue Ratteen Jacket with Cuffs to the Sleeves, a blue Broad Cloth Jacket without Sleeves, Flannel Shirt, striped Flannel Trowsers, grey yarn Stockings, and single Channel Pumps. Whoever will secure said Slave in any of his Majesty's Goals, or deliver him to the Subscriber, his Master, shall have FIVE DOLLARS Reward, and necessary Charges paid.

Per SAMUEL ROSE.



Masters of Veffels, and others, are hereby forbid carrying off or fecuring faid Slave, as they would avoid the Penalty of the Law.    December 5, 1768.

*Boston Gazette.*

The town of Beverly has always been noted for beans, and it will be seen that as early as 1771 Josiah Woodbury offered two bushels as a reward to any person who would keep his “House Plague,” who had run away from him. The question naturally arises, Was “Old Moll” Mr. Woodbury’s wife?

Beverly, Sept. 16, 1771.

RAN-AWAY from Josiah Woodbury, Cooper, his Houfe Plague for 7 long Years, Mafury Old Moll, alias Trial of Vengeance. He that loft will never seek her; he that fhall keep her, I will give two Bufhel of Beans. I forewarn all Perfons in Town or Country from trufting faid Trial of Vengeance. I have hove all the old Shoes I can find for Joy; and all my Neighbours rejoice with me. A good Riddance of bad Ware. Amen.

Jofiah Woodbury.

*Essex Gazette*, Sept. 17, 1771.

A woman advertises and describes a run-away husband.

Curious ADVERTISEMENT

Copied from a late Hartford Paper.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 13th of May, one Joseph Randall, a tall, trim-built fellow: Had on, when he went away, a blue coat, velvet waistcoat and breeches, mixt coloured stockings, and wore away two felt hats; he rode away a black horse, and led a sorrel horse; he is supposed to be lurking in the south part of Scantick after a strumpet that he has spent the most of his time with for three years past. Whoever will take up said Randall, and return him to me, shall have 3 coppers reward; but whoever will take the trouble to keep him away shall have ten dollars reward, and all necessary charges paid by me.

SUSANNAH RANDALL.

N. B. All persons are forbid harbouring him, for I am determined to maintain him no longer.

*Salem Mercury*, July 1, 1785.



In the "Massachusetts Gazette," Feb. 3, 1774, is advertised a book by the notorious Dr. Dodd, who was executed for the forgery of Lord Chesterfield's name. This

book is said to be “extremely proper to be given at Funerals.”

**A Book which upon perusal**  
recommends itself, and which it is only necessary to read to approve; extremely proper to be given at Funerals or any other solemn Occasion: being written expressly with that intention.

*THIS DAY WAS PUBLISHED,*  
(Price 2*s.* Lawful Money fingle and 1*/*8. the doz.)  
By THOMAS LEVERETT, NICHOLAS BOWES  
and HENRY KNOX in Cornhill,

# REFLECTIONS

O N

D E A T H.

By WILLIAM DODD, LL. D.

Prebendary of Brecon and Chaplain in Ordinary  
to His MAJESTY.

IT IS APPOINTED ONCE FOR MEN TO DIE, BUT  
AFTER THIS THE JUDGMENT, Heb. ix. 27.

THE FIFTH EDITION.

A desire of extending the very laudable Practice of giving Books at Funerals, and the great propriety of the present Work for that Purpose, have induced the

Editors to put this valuable Performance one Third cheaper than the London Edition, although it is by no Means Inferior in point of Elegance.

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Some of the business localities of Boston in the last century were known by names which now strike us as very queer or quaint. We select a number of advertisements from the "Gazette," "Post-Boy," and "Chronicle."

Dec. 10, 1759.

Imported in the last Ships from *LONDON*.

*By Andrew Craigie,*

And to be Sold at his Shop, right against the Old South Meeting-House: by Wholesale & Retail,

**E**Nglish Goods, suitable for the Season, too many to be enumerated, At the lowest Rate, for Cash, or short Credit.

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Feb. 23, 1761.

*Jfaac Dupee, Carver,*

**A**DVERTISES his Customers and others that since the late Fire (on Dock Square) he has opened a Shop the North Side of the Swing-Bridge, opposite to *Thomas Tyler's*, Esq; where Buſinefs will be carried on as usual with Fidelity and Dispatch.

*Imported in the Neptune, Capt. Binney, and to be Sold by*

**Daniel Parker, Goldsmith,**

*At his Shop near the Golden-Ball, Boston.*

**A**N Assortment of Articles in the Goldsmith's and Jeweller's Way, viz. brilliant and cypher'd Button and Earing Stones of all Sorts, Locket Stones, cypher'd Ring Stones, Brilliant Ring Sparks, Buckle Stones, Garnetts, Emethysts, Topaz and Sapphire Ring Stones, neat Stone Rings sett in Gold, some with Diamond Sparks, Stone Buttons in Silver, by the Card, black ditto in Silver, best Sword Blades, Shoe and Knee Chapes of all Sizes, Files of all Sorts, freezing Punches, Turkey Oyl Stones, red and white Foyl, moulding Sand, Borax, Saltpetre, Crucibles and Black Led Potts, Money Scales, large ditto to weigh Silver, Piles of Ounce Weights, Penny Weights & Grains, Coral Beeds, Stick ditto for Whistles, Forgeing Anvils, Spoon Teats, plain ditto, small raizing Anvils for Cream Potts, fine Lancashire Watch Plyers, Shears and Nippers, Birmingham ditto, with sundry other Articles, cheap for Cash.

**C**HOICE Muscovado best Powder and brown Sugars, by the Hogshead or Barrel, to be Sold by WILLIAM WHITWELL, at the Seven Stars near the Draw-Bridge, Boston. Also choice new Raisins by the Cask, Philadelphia Flour and Bar

*Iron per Quantity, Coffee by the Barrel or Hundred,  
Bohea Tea, &c., cheap for Cash or short Credit.*

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Sept. 8, 1760.

*John Loring,*

At his Shop near The Great Trees.

**A** Fresh and General Assortment of Medecines  
both Chemical and Galenical — Spices of all  
Sorts — Likewise Redwood, Logwood, Allum, Cop-  
peras, Brimstone, &c. — *N. B.* True *Lockyer's*  
Pills, *Bateman's* Drops, *Stoughton's* and *Duffy's* Elixer,  
&c. &c.

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**Sufannah Foster**

**H**EREBY informs her Customers, That she has  
removed from Queen Street to Fore-Street,  
next Door to the Sign of the Cross, where they may  
be supplied as usual with all Kinds of Groceries at  
the cheapest Rates.

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Feb. 23, 1761.

Imported in the last Ship from *London*, and to be Sold  
**By Thomas Allen.**

Near *Bromfield's* Lane, BOSTON.

**C**ardinal Silks and Trimmings, Prussian Cloaks,  
Muffs and Tippets, Callimanco and Tammy  
quilted Coats, *Irish* Linens, Mens & Womens cotton,

thread and worsted Hose ; a neat Assortment of Millenary Goods, &c. cheap for Cash.—

ALSO, a great Variety of Paper Hangings.

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Imported in Captains *Hulme* and *Binney* from London,  
By *Thomas Handasyd Peck*,  
And Sold by him at the Hatt & Beaver, Merchant's Row.

A Fresh Assortment of Linnen Linings, suitable for Beaver, Beaverett, Castor and Felt Hatts, Tabby ditto, Mohair Lupings, Silk Braid ditto, flatt and round Silk Lace and Frogs for Button Lupes, plain and sash Bands, workt & plain Buttons, black Thread, Gold and Silver Chain, yellow and white Buttons, hard and light Brushes, Velures, Cards, large and small Bowstrings, Looping Needles, Verdigrises and Coperas, a good Assortment of Mens and Boys Felt Hatts, Castor ditto.—He likewise sells Logwood.

Missing since the late Fire, when the Market-House was burnt, a large Folio of Mr. *Clarkson's* Works, and twenty yards of Gold and Silver Chain. If any Person has the Book or Chain, they are desir'd to inform said *Peck*.

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May 11, 1761.

A few Firkins of Choice Butter,  
to be Sold by *PHILIP FREEMAN*, at the Blue Glove, facing the Sign of the Cornfields.

May 11, 1761.

## Jonathan & John Amory

In *King-Street*, juſt below the Town-Houſe in *Boston*, and at *Salem*, in the Houſe where the Honourable *Timothy Lindal*, Eſq; deceas'd, lately dwelt, near the Friends Meeting Houſe, Have lately open'd a very large Affortment of Engliſh Goods, of almoſt every Kind, for Men's and Women's wear, conſiſting of too many Articles to be compriz'd in an Advertiſement, which they will ſell at either Place, by Wholeſale or Retail, at very low Prices for Caſh or Treasu-er's Notes, and allow the Intereſt thereon.

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May 11, 1761.

Imported by

## John and Thomas Stevenſon,

And to be Sold at their Shop, at the Sign of the Stays, oppoſite the South Side of the Town-Houſe, *Boston*, at the very loweſt Prices, *Viz.*

Lawns of all Sorts, ſtrip'd and flower'd kenting Handkerchiefs; cotton and linnen ditto; ſilk and gauſe ditto; Cambricks, Calicoes and printed Linnens—white and colour'd Threads;—ſilk, worſted, cotton and thread Stockings—Women's ſilk and worſted Mitts—Broad-Cloths; German Serges—Thickſets; Fuſtians; Jeans; Pillows and Dimities—Broglies; Dorſateens; Venetian Poplins; flower'd and



plain Damasks; Prussianets; Serpentine; Tammies; striped Stuffs; Camblets; Callimancoes; Shalloons and Buckrams,—worsted Caps; Garters; Needles and Pins—white, brown and striped Hollands—white and check'd Linnen; Diaper; Bed-Ticks; Tartans; Plaids; Breeches and Jacket Stocking Patterns; cotton & silk and cotton Gowns—Stock Tapes—Leather Breeches; Men's and Women's Leather Shoes, &c. &c.

*N. B. Kippen's and Tillock's Snuff; Scotch Barley and Carpeting and Porter by the Dozen; With a great Number of other Articles.*

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Jan. 9, 1764.

**A Few Hogfheads of choice**  
*Barbadoes RUM to be fold: Inquire Nathaniel Abraham, at the Golden Key.*

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TO BE LETT,

*And enter'd upon the 25th of March, in good tenable Repair.*

**The Five Grist-Mills at the**

North Part of the Town of *Boston*, with Stabling for Horses, Stores for Grain, &c. Any Person inclining to Hire, may apply to *William Hunt*, in Hanover-Street, whom the Proprietors hath empowered to Let the same.

Feb. 23, 1767.

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May 4, 1767.

Just Imported from *London*, and to be Sold by  
**Daniel Boyer, Jeweller,**

At his Shop opposite the Governor's in *Boston*,  
 Best Brilliant and ■ Binding Wire  
 Cypher Earing & But- ■ Brafs and Iron ditto  
 ton Stones ■ Brafs stamps  
 Brilliant & cypher ring ■ Buckle & ring brushes  
 ftones ■ Money scales & weights  
 Garnets, amethyfts, and ■ Small sheers & plyers  
 topaz ■ Screw dividers  
 Ring and buckle sparks ■ Blow pipes  
 Locket ftones & cyphers ■ Draw plates  
 Ruby and white foyle ■ Moulding fand  
 Coral beads ■ Crucibles & black pots  
 Coral for whistles ■ Borax & Salt-Petre  
 Shoe and knee chapes ■ Pommice and Rotten-  
 Rough and smooth files ■ ftone, &c.

Where alfo may be had, moft forts of Jewellers  
 and Goldfmith Work, cheap for Cash.

## William Palfrey

**H**EREBY informs his Customers and others,  
 That he has juft opened a frefh Affortment  
 of Goods fuitable for the Seafon, which were im-  
 ported in the Ship *Boston-Packet*, Capt. *Marshall*.

*ALSO*, A Variety of Stone, China and Glafs Ware, which will be fold very low at his Shop next Door North of the Heart and Crown in Cornhill, *Boston*.

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Imported in Captain *Skillings* from *London*, and to be Sold

*By* John Symmes, *Goldsmith*,

Near the Golden Ball, *Boston*, viz.

**B**EST Shoe and Knee Buckles Fluke and Tongs, ruff and smooth Files, Bone Buckle Brufhes, Freezing Punches, Binding Wire, Steel Top Thimbles, Cypher and Brilliant Button Stones, Cypher and Brilliant Ring Stones, Ring Sparks, Motto Ring Stones, Amethyfts, Garnetts, Brilliant and Cypher Earing Stones, Amethyfts Foyle, red & white do. Stone Bofom Buckles, Crufables, and Black Lead Melting Pots, &c. all cheap for Cafh.

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November, 1767.

**Robert Duncan**

Begs Leave to inform his Customers and Others, That he has removed from the Store on the Town Dock to the Shop lately improved by Mr. *William Palfrey*, next Door Northward of the Sign of the HEART and CROWN in Cornhill.

A Houfe to Lett in *Hawkins's*-Street, near the Sign of the Parrot. Inquire of Edes and Gill.

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No. 1. A Houfe at the North-End of the Town, the Corner of Winnifimett Ferry.

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No. 4. One large double Houfe at New-Boston, near the Sign of the Ship. Boston, 21st Nov. 1767.

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Aug. 13, 1759.

Imported in the laft Ships from LONDON, and to be Sold

By John Townley,

At the Sign of the *Wheat Sheaff*, the Corner of *Wing's Lane*, very cheap for Cash;

**B**Road cloths, *Yorkshire* plains, cotton velvets and cut-velvet fhapes, thickfets, fustians, white jeans, figured and corded dimothys, filk and cotton gowns, ftript linnens, *Manchester* checks, ruffells, calimancoes, tammys, durants, yard wide & prussian poplins, cros-bar'd ftuffs, rich brunets, broglios, ftript & plain camblets & cambleteens, laftings of all colours, bombazine, a fine affortment of *Irish* linnens, *Engliſh* oznabrigs.

*Imported in the last Ships from L O N D O N, by*

## Ebenezer Coffin,

*And to be Sold at the Crown and Bee-Hive, opposite  
Deacon Phillips's in Cornhill, Boston, very cheap for  
ready Cash, or on short Credit,*

A Large assortment of best london, hard-metal and  
common pewter dishes, plates, basons, porringers,  
quart-pots, tankards, soup-kettles, communion flaggons  
and cups, christening basons, tea-pots and spoons, bed  
and close stool pans, measures, &c.

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Aug. 27, 1759.

## *Adino Paddock* Chaife-Maker,

near the Granary, has six second-hand Chaifes to sell;  
and as they take up much Storage, he will sell them  
under their Value.


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Aug. 22, 1763.

## Benjamin Ruffell

INFORMS his Customers and others, that he  
Undertakes PAPERING ROOMS and  
Stair-Cases in the best Manner, at a reasonable  
Rate.—Any Gentleman that has a mind to Employ  
him in the neighbouring Towns, may be serv'd by

him (paying his Travelling Charges) at the same Rate as those in *Boston*.—Said *Russell* has a number of Window SASHES 10 by 8, 24 Lights in a Window, to Sell reasonably for Cash,—they are made of the best of PINE.

 Said *Russell* lives the North-side of Bacon-Hill in *Boston*, opposite to Mr. *Joseph Callender's*, Baker.

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Jan. 12, 1767.

TO BE SOLD BY

Joseph Palmer & Co.,

At their Store on *Minot's* T,

**S**Permaceti Candles, *warranted*

*Pure*—Spermaceti in Cakes—Strain'd Spermaceti Oyl, by the Quantity or Cask—*Philadelphia* Flour—English Duck, Cordage, &c.

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A few Firkins of choice good Irish

BUTTER, to be Sold by *BLANCHARD & HANCOCK*, opposite the Conduit.—Likewise a large and good assortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery and Pewter Wares, just imported in the *Lydia*, Captain *Scott*, from *London*—Also, *Philadelphia* and *Russia* Barr Iron, &c. all at the very lowest Rates for Cash.

June 14, 1762.

**GOOD CYDER** to be Sold by  
the Barrel, or otherwife, at the *Black Boy & But*,  
by JONATHAN WILLIAMS.

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**Daniel Jones,**

*At the HAT and HELMIT, South-End, BOSTON,*

**M**AKES Beaver and Beaveret  
HATS; has also English Beaveret & Castor,  
English and French Felt Hats, Hat Trimmings; an  
Assortment of English GOODS suitable for all Sea-  
sons of the Year; a few Boxes of Looking-Glasses;  
which he will sell by Wholesale or Retail at a mod-  
erate Rate for Cash, Treasurer's Notes, or short  
Credit.

*N. B.* Said *Jones* desires those Persons who have  
far exceeded their Contracts either on Book or Notes  
of Hand, to be very speedy in settling the same, or  
they will oblige him to the disagreeable Necessity of  
putting them to Trouble.

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**ALL** Persons that are indebted  
to the Estate of *James Mason*, late of *Boston*,  
Merchant, Deceas'd, are desired to Pay the same

without Delay to *Jonathan Mafon*, Executor to his Will;—and those who have any Demands on said Estate, are desired to bring in their Accompts to said Executor, who has to Sell at his House next Door to the Sign of the Three Kings in Cornhill, the following GOODS belonging to the Estate of the Deceased, which will be Sold at the first Cost and Charges, Viz.

## BROAD Cloths, German Serges,

Bearskins, Beaver Coating, Half-Thick, red Shagg, Bayes, 8 qr. and 9 qr. Blankets, Shalloons, Tammies, Durants, Calimancoes, worsted Damasks, strip'd and plain Camblets, strip'd Swanskins, Flannel, Manchester Velvet, Womens ditto, Bombazeen, Allopeen, colour'd Ruffells, Hungarians, Dimothy, Crimfon and green China, 7-8th, yard wide and 6 qr. cotton Check, worsted and Hair Plush, Men's and Women's Hofs, worsted Caps, mill'd ditto, black Tiffany, Women's and Children's Stays, cotton Romalls, printed Linnen Handkerchiefs, black Gauze ditto, Bandanoes, Silk Lunges Romalls, Cambricks, Lawns, Muslins, Calicoes, Chints, Buckrams, Gulick Irish and Tandem Holland, Mens and Womens Kid and Lamb Gloves, black and white Bone Lace, Capuchin Silk, and Fringe, Gartering, Silk and Cotton Laces, stript Gingham, yellow Canvas, Diaper, Damask Table Cloths and Napkins, Bedtick, 7-8th Garlix, Soletare Necklaces and Earrings, Tapes, Womens



Ruffel Shoes, sewing Silk, Nutmegs, Pepper, Looking Glaffes, Ticklinburg, English and Ruffia Duck, Allum, Copperas and Brimstone, German Steel, Bar Lead, English and India Taffety, Grograms, English and India Damasks, Padufoys, Lutestrings, black and white Sattin, rich Brocade, Gauze Caps, and Ruffles, Shades and handsome Silk Cloaks, &c. &c. &c.

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Aug. 22, 1763.

*Andrew Barclay,*

AT his Houfe opposite the Golden Cock in Marlborough-Street, *Boston*, Binds Books of all kinds, Gilt and Plain, in the neateft and beft Manner. Gentlemen in Town or Country may depend upon having their Work done with Fidelity and Difpatch.

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1768.                      Nov. 21. ——— Nov. 28.

*Just imported in the Ship Thames, Captain Watt,  
from London, by*

**Samuel Franklin,**

*At the Sign of the Crown and Razor, South-End,  
Bofton :*

**B**EST Razors, Pen-knives, sciffars, shears, shoe-knives, shoe tacks and ftampt awl blades, teeth inftruments, lancets, white and yel-

low fwords, and fword belts ; cafe-knives and forks ; ink powder and fealing-wax, files and rasps ; horfe fleams ; hones and curling tongs ; brafs ink-pots, horn and ivory combs ; white, yellow and steel shoe and knee buckles ; gilt, lackered and plated coat and breaft buttons, fnuff boxes, and a few fecond hand hats, &c. all very cheap.

N. B. Razors, penknives and fciffars ground, fcabbards made for fwords and bayonets, cafeknife and fork blades made at faid Shop.

*Boston Chronicle.*

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1769. June 1. — June 5.

W I N E

TO BE SOLD *by*

ROSANNA MOORE,

By wholefale and retail, at her WINE CELLAR  
near LIBERTY TREE, Bofton, viz.

OLD Sterling MADEIRA, LISBON,

Teneriff, Claret, Port, Canary, Malaga, Tent,  
sweet and other WINES, all in their original purity,  
and as cheap as any in town.

*Boston Chronicle, June 1, 1769.*

Just imported from LONDON, by  
*Jolley Allen,*  
 At his Shop about Midway between the  
 Governor's and the Town-House, and almost Op-  
 posite the *Heart and Crown* in Cornhill,  
 B O S T O N.  
 A very large Assortment of Eng-  
 lish and India GOODS, fit for all Seasons, too  
 many to be enumerated separately in an Advertise-  
 ment. —

*Boston Gazette, Feb. 20, 1767.*

WHEREAS THE CO-PARTNERSHIP OF  
**Chafe & Speakman** is mu-  
 tually dissolved, this is to desire all persons who are  
 indebted to them to make speedy payment, and like-  
 wise all those who have any demands on said com-  
 pany, to call and receive their respective dues of  
 T CHASE, at the VENERABLE LIBERTY-ELM.

*Boston Chronicle, May 22, 1769*

B O S T O N.

This morning arrived here Captain Paddock, in a  
 schooner from London, after a long passage.

\* \* *The BOSTONIAN came too late for this day's  
 Paper.*

S T O L E N,

FROM the side of the house, belonging to *Richard Silvester*, now the Sign of the

## BROKEN POST,

*Newbury street*, Boston, about half an hour past one o'clock in the morning of the 24th ult.

A Black and White Horse, with a Bridle, without a Saddle.—The Persons concerned in this Frolick, who were seen and known, are desired to replace the said HORSE, in the manner and form they found him. And it is hoped, as he is a young creature, they will not corrupt his morals, by teaching him any of their bad tricks, but return him soon, as the owner will not allow any thing for his keeping.

N. B. If he should bite or kick any that have him in possession; his former master now declares, he will not be answerable for the damages. — He was not imported from England, but manufactured in this land of liberty.

*Query.* Whether the persons who knocked at said SILVESTER's door, past three o'clock the same morning, in their return home, and cried THIEVES, were not accomplices in this *glorious* exploit.

*Boston Chronicle*, March 1, 1770.

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T O B E S O L D

By Mary Jackson & Son,

*At the Brazen-Head in Cornhill,*

*A few Firkins of good Butter, at  
4s. 6d. per Pound; also choice Connecticut Pork, Hogs  
Fat, and Cheese.*

N. B. *All Kind of Braziers, Cutlers, Pewterers and  
Ironmongery Goods, Wholesale and Retail.*

July 13, 1761.

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WANTED for a HOUSE-KEEPER,

A Discreet elderly WOMAN that can be well  
recommended, who understands dressing vict-  
uals, and the œconomy of a large family where there  
are no children. — Such a person will meet with *good*  
encouragement, by applying to MEIN and FLEEMING.

*Boston Chronicle*, Dec. 19, 1768.

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To be S O L D by

J O H N C R O S B Y,

LEMMON-TRADER, at the Sign of the *Basket*  
of LEMMONS, at the South-End,

Choice good and fresh LISBON  
LEMMONS, equal to any in Town for goodness,  
and as large in general as Lemmons commonly are,  
at *Four Pounds O. T per Hundred*, and *Ten Shillings*  
*per single Dozen.*

Dec. 19, 1768.

TO BE LET,

A Handsome square SHOP, in *Marshall's Lane*, near Boston-stone, suitable either for a Grocery, West-India or Dry-Goods Shop—it will also accommodate any person in the Mechanical Line. Inquire of the Printer, or of GILES RICHARDS and Co. near the *Mill-Bridge*.

March 12, 1791.

Picture of a Boston mariner in 1799.

TO BE SOLD,

By Samuel Thaxter,



MATHEMATICAL  
*Instrument Maker,*

No. 49 STATE-STREET,

I best brass Sextant, latest improvement; Hadley's Quadrants, Davis' do. Brass Azimuth Amplitude and Steering Compass; Brass Surveying Compass, Wood, do. Spy Glasses; Sea Books, and Charts; Scales and Dividers; Surveying Chains, &c.

N. B. Quadrants and Compasses carefully repaired;—where Gentlemen may depend on reasonableness and punctuality.

March 30.

FOR SALE,

A Small HOUSE-LOT, in Sifters-lane,  
very near the Rev. Dr. BELKNAP's Meeting-  
house. Inquire of the Printer. March 30.  
1799.

Just Imported, and to be Sold by

Harbottle Dorr,

At his Shop (adjoining to the House of Mr. *Martin Gay*) almost opposite to the Cornfields in Union-Street, Boston,

A Fine Assortment of Braziers, Ironmongery,  
and Cutlery Ware, by Wholesale or Retail, cheap  
for Cash.

*Boston Gazette*, July 13, 1767.

A sermon suitable to distribute among tenants and servants:—

THIS DAY PUBLISHED,

(And Sold by S Kneeland, in Queen-Street;)

THE CARE of the SOUL,  
urged as the ONE THING NEEDFUL. A SERMON  
first preached at the Funeral of a young Person, and  
afterwards before some worthy and excellent Persons,  
who desired some printed Copies of it, to disperse  
among their Tenants and Servants.

*Boston Gazette*, Nov. 2, 1761.

Goods exchanged for New England rum.

Barbados Rum,


and Sugars by the  
Hogthead or Barrel,

Bohea Tea,

Cotton Wool by the Bag,

New Flour,

Indigo.

 Dumb FISH.

Ruffia Duck,

Pitch, Tar,  
and

Cordage.

Long & short Pipes.

Sole Leather.

Englilh Steel.

With,

A General Affortment of English Goods and  
Hard Ware.

Many of the above Articles will be Exchang'd for  
New England Rum,

By Samuel Allyne Otis,

At Store No. 5, South-Side of the Town-Dock.

*Boston Gazette*, Sept. 22, 1767.

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Wigs advertised in Salem, suitable to “grace  
and become Judges, Divines, Lawyers, or Phy-  
sicians,” and “Rolls to raise the Heads” of  
ladies “to any Pitch they desire.” This shop  
was probably patronized by Judge and Madam  
Lynde, Colonel Pickman, Dr. Holyoke, Dr.  
Barnard, Dr. Hopkins, Dr. Whitaker, Samuel



Curwen, Judge Ropes, John Appleton, Deacon Holman, Friend Northey, and others.

## William Lang,

*Wig-Maker and Hair-Dresser,*

**H**EREBY informs the Public, that he has hired a Person from EUROPE, by whose Assistance he is now enabled, in the several Branches of his Business, to serve his good Customers, and all others, in the most genteel and polite Tastes that are at present in Fashion in England and America.-----In particular, WIGS made in any Mode whatever, such as may grace and become the most important Heads, whether those of Judges, Divines, Lawyers or Physicians; together with all those of an inferior Kind, so as exactly to suit their respective Occupations and Inclinations.-----HAIR-DRESSING, for Ladies and Gentlemen, performed in the most elegant and newest Taste.-----Ladies, in a particular Manner, shall be attended to, in the nice, easy, genteel and polite Construction of ROLLS, such as may tend to raise their Heads to any Pitch they desire,-----also French Curls, made in the neatest Manner.      He gives Cash for Hair.

*Essex Gazette, Feb. 9, 1773.*

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On the departure of Governor Hutchinson from the Province of Massachusetts in 1774,

a hundred and twenty-three citizens of Boston, together with sundry citizens of Salem, Marblehead, and other places, signed a complimentary address to him, "lamenting the loss of so good a Governor," and praising him for his character and conduct. Most of these persons belonged to the better classes; but their action was judged to be, to say the least, hasty. Shortly after this, these "addressors" were "hauled over the coals" by the patriots and forced to retract. The following cards from some of these gentlemen we take from the "Essex Gazette," a newspaper circulating in Salem and Cambridge. From the known character and standing of many of these persons, it is believed that they were glad of an opportunity of thus expressing their patriotism. The first blood of the Revolution had not been shed when they signed this address to the Governor, who they had hoped would be able to influence the British ministry so that war could be averted. But after the battles of Lexington and Concord there was no longer any hope of a reconciliation, and the "Committee of Safety," naturally wishing to

be sure as to who were friends and who were enemies, took this method of ascertaining the fact and thereby satisfying the community.

Salem, May 30, 1775.

Whereas we the Subscribers did some time since sign an Address to Governor Hutchinson, which, though prompted to by the best Intentions, has nevertheless given great Offence to our Country; We do now declare that we were so far from designing by that Action to show our Acquiescence in those Acts of Parliament so universally and justly odious to all America, that on the contrary we hoped we might in that Way contribute to their Repeal, though now to our sorrow we find ourselves mistaken. — And we do now further declare that we never intended the Offense which this Address has occasioned, that if we had foreseen such an Event, we should never have signed it; as it always has been and now is our Wish to live in Harmony with our Neighbors, and our serious Determination to promote to the utmost of our Power, the Liberty, the Welfare and Happiness of our Country, which is inseparably connected with our own.

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| JOHN NUTTING,  | ANDREW DALGLEISH,  |
| N. GOODALE,    | THOMAS BARNARD,    |
| E. A. HOLYOKE, | NATH. DABNEY,      |
| WM. PYNCHON,   | WILLIAM PICKMAN,   |
| EBEN'R PUTNAM, | C. GAYTON PICKMAN, |
| FRANCIS CABOT, | JOHN TURNER,       |
| N. SPARHAWK.   |                    |

In Committee of Safety, Salem, 30th May, 1775.

The Declaration of which the above is a copy, being presented and read, it was voted unanimously that the same was satisfactory, and that the said Gentlemen ought to be received and treated as real Friends to this Country.

By order of the Committee,

RICHARD DERBY, *jun.*, *Chairman.*

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Whereas I the Subscriber was so unfortunate (some Time since) as to sign an Address to the late Governor Hutchinson, so universally, and so justly, deemed an Enemy to American Liberty and Freedom, I hereby in this public Manner declare that at the Time I signed the said Address, I intended the Good of my Country, and that only ; but finding in my Sorrow it had not that but quite a contrary Effect, I hereby renounce the same Address in every Part, and hope my injured and afflicted Fellow-Countrymen will overlook my past Misconduct, as I am ready to assist them in their Struggles for Liberty and Freedom in whatever Way I shall be called upon by them.

Londonderry, June 6, 1775.

JOHN PRENTICE.

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*To the Publick :*

Whereas I the Subscriber signed an Address to the late Governor Hutchinson, upon his leaving this

Province: I now declare my doing so was without any View of injuring the Liberties of my Country, which I ever held sacred; nor had I the least Design of giving Offence to any Individual within the Circle of my Acquaintance, and had I conceived such an Address would have been so generally disapproved of, I should by no Means have signed it; and hope the Publick will freely forgive this Error in their humble Servant.

JONATHAN GLOVER.

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Whereas I, the Subscriber, signed an Address to the late Governor Hutchinson,—*I wish the Devil had had said Address before I had seen it.*

Marblehead, October 24, 1774.

J. FOWLE.

John Prentice, of Marblehead, signed a similar card the same day.

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We have room but for one more of these political cards. The Rev. Samuel Dana, of Groton, appears to have been suspected of “Toryism,” and prints the following in the “Essex Gazette”:—

“I, the Subscriber, being deeply affected with the Miseries bro’t on this Country by a horrid Thirst for ill-got Wealth and unconstitutional Power,—and lamenting my Unhappiness in being left to adopt Principles in Politics different from the Generality of my

Countrymen; and thence to conduct in a Manner that has but too justly excited the Jealousy and Repentment of the true Sons of Liberty against me, earnestly desirous, at the same Time, to give them all the Satisfaction in my Power; do hereby Sincerely ask Forgiveness of all such for whatever I have said or done, that had the least Tendency to the Injury of my Country, assuring them that it is my full Purpose, in my proper Sphere, to unite with them in all those laudable and fit Measures that have been recommended by the Continental and Provincial Congresses for the Salvation of this Country, hoping my future Conversation and Conduct will fully prove the uprightness of my present Professions.

Groton, May 22, 1775. SAMUEL DANA.

The town of Groton voted that the above was satisfactory to the inhabitants, and that Mr. Dana "ought to enjoy the Privileges of Society," etc.

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East Boston, to be let, in the year 1800.

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*Noddle's Island.*

TO BE LET, (for the term of one or more years, and entered upon, the 25th March next,)

THAT valuable Estate in the Harbour of Boston, known by the name of NODDLE'S Island. The advantages of its situation, soil, &c. &c.

are so well known, as to render a detail thereof unnecessary. — For particulars, inquire of the Printer, or of DAVID S. GREENOUGH, at Roxbury.

Feb. 15.

*Columbian Centinel.*

## GENTLEMEN and LADIES.



ISAAC GREENWOOD, jun., takes this opportunity to inform you, that at his Shop opposite the Town-House, in Salem, Gentlemen may be supplied with neat walking Sticks; and Ladies with Umbrellas, neater and cheaper than those imported: He makes and mends Umbrella Sticks in the best Manner.

He earnestly wishes, for his Profit and their Good, that they would apply to him for Teeth-Brushes, and Teeth-Powder, which when used will recommend itself.

Said Greenwood performs all kinds of turned Work, in Silver, such as Tankards, Cans, &c. also in Brasses, Iron, Ivory, Turtle-Shell, Bone, Horn, and Wood of any sort or bigness. Repairs Violins; makes Flutes, Fifes, Hoboys, Clarinets, Chaise-Whips, Tea-Boards, Bottle-Stands, Tamboy Frames, Back-Gammon Boxes Men and Dies, Chefs men, Billiard-Balls,

Maces, Lemon Squeezers, Serenges, Hydrometers, Shaving Boxes and Brushes, Buckle-Brushes, Ink-Stands, Paper-Folders, Sand-Boxes, Bannisters for Stair-Cafes, &c. &c. &c.

*Salem Gazette*, July 3, 1781.



An appeal to “the Sentimentalists of the Town of Salem,” from the “Gazette” of June 19, 1781. “Sentimentalists” would in these days be called book-buyers.

By AUTHORITY

*JEWELS and DIAMONDS for SENTIMENTALISTS.*

THE Sentimentalists of the Town of Salem, and all Voluntiers, who are pleased to encourage the extensive Propagation of polite Literature, by the Bufiness of Book Auctioniering, which in all free States hath always been highly favoured with peculiar Privileges, because it is the sublimest Auxiliary which Science, Commerce, and Arts either has, or perhaps ever will possess, are requested to observe, that

*On Thursday Evening June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1781, and for two more Evenings successively, The following curious Collection of valuable and scarce BOOKS, containing History, Biography, Voyages, Travels, Philosophy, Mathematics, Periodical Papers, Letters, Essays, Arts, Sciences, Novels and Adventures, with*



Poetic and Dramatic Entertainment, by the most celebrated ancient and modern Authors, who have explored, investigated, and attempted to illuminate the human Understanding with the god-like Attribute of knowledge,

*Will be exhibited by AUCTION, at Mr. GOODHUE'S Tavern in the Town of SALEM,*

*By ROBERT BELL, Bookseller, Providence to the Sentimentalists, and Professor of Book-Auctioniering, who is just arrived from Philadelphia, and will return thither in a few days.*

Hours of Exhibition by Auction from Six to Ten each Evening; when the Jewels and Diamonds will, instantaneously, either be sold or sacrificed, according to the Taste of the Company.

Printed CATALOGUES of the Books to be had at the Time and Place.

N. B. On Tuesday, or Wednesday next Week, the Book-Auctionier intends also to exhibit a Collection of Books by Auction in the town of Newbury-Port; and sometime in the Week after, he intends to exhibit another Collection of Books by Auction in the Town of Portsmouth, the Capital of the State of New-Hampshire.

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In the "Herald of Freedom," published in Boston, is the following singular notice from Osgood Carleton: —

Ofgood Carleton,

HAVING been frequently applied to for a decision of disputes, and sometimes wagers,\* respecting the place of his nativity, and finding they sometimes operate to his disadvantage: Begs leave to give this public information—that he was born in Nottingham-west, in the State of New-Hampshire—in which state he resided until sixteen years old; after which time, he traveled by sea and land to various parts, and being (while young) mostly conversant with the English, he lost some of the country dialect, which gives rise to the above disputes.

*\* Several Englishmen have disputed his being born in America.*

BOSTON, AUGUST 20, 1790.

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The singular taste for wax-work exhibitions which used formerly to prevail is shown in the following announcement from the “Salem Gazette,” Oct. 18, 1791:—

## WAX-WORK.

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*Mr. BOWEN*

RESPECTFULLY acquaints the Ladies and Gentlemen of Salem and its vicinity, that he has removed his Exhibition from Boston, where it met with universal applause.


To-Morrow Evening at 7 o'clock the door will be opened, and commence one of the most pleasing & innocent amusements,

### At the Assembly Room, *Salem*.

The numerous attractions of this admired Collection having lately been increased by adding several excellent new Figures, it is recommended to be worthy of the patronage and attention of a liberal public. Mr. BOWEN, wishing immediately to gratify the inhabitants of this town and vicinity, begs leave to inform them that his residence here will be but a few days.

It would be unnecessary to give a particular description of all the Figures in this large Exhibition; but among the most admired, we may enumerate, an excellent likeness of the PRESIDENT of the United States and his amiable Lady, with a representation of the President supporting the Union of Liberty, Justice, Peace, and Plenty. His Excellency Gov. HANCOCK, who was one of the first of the patriotic members that signed the Declaration of American Independence—a sincere Friend to his Country. The celebrated *Hamilton*, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States. Three beautiful female Figures, representing a *Boston*, *Rhodeisland*, and *Philadelphia* Beauty. The unfortunate *Baron TRENCK* in real chains. Doctor FRANKLIN, dressed in a suit of his own clothes, with about *Twenty* other Figures in full stature.


The Exhibition will be open every day (except Saturday evenings and Sundays) from 10 o'clock in the morning until 9 in the evening.

 Tickets of admission, at *one shilling and six pence* for Ladies and Gentlemen, and *nine-pence* for Children under 10 years of age, may be had at the door.

*No reduction of the price will take place.*

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Wine advertised in a Baltimore paper in 1788.

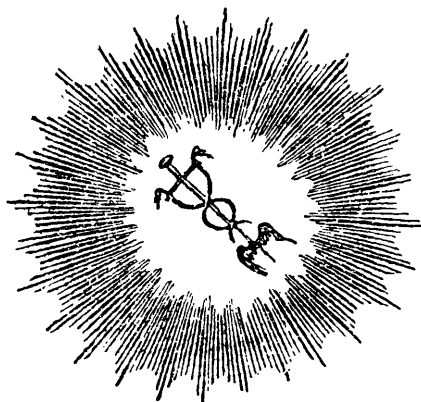
 *In good Wine there is truth.*

“THE ROSY GOD, ever attentive to the wants and wishes of his votaries here below, has for their use deposited in the hands of the subscriber (one of his *oldest Tapsters*) some of his CHOICEST GIFTS, the best Produce of various Vintages. Such exhilarating Beverage as, of old, cheered the Hearts of GODS and Men.—A strict Observance of the *Seventh Commandment* is enjoined in the Distribution. The Fiat shall be obeyed, by the Publick’s most obliged and devoted Servant,

“THOMAS HEPBURN.

“*Baltimore, April 11, 1788.*”

In the "Boston Columbian Centinel"  
Josiah Flagg, jun., advertises for "live teeth."




*JOSIAH FLAGG, jun.*

SURGEON DENTIST:

AT THE STONE-HOUSE, BEACON-STREET,

*BOSTON—*

**C**ONTINUES his practise with useful improvements. Assistance to the poor gratis.

 **CASH** given for live Teeth, and  
Gold Cobbs, or Duft.

May 26, 1792.

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It is curious to see how in "old times"  
things "got mixed up." The incongruity of

putting together whalebone, Bibles, and chip hats is only exceeded by a later advertisement we have seen of Scott's Bible sold at a lottery-office. This is from the "Salem Mercury" of 1788:—

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*NEXT FRIDAY,*

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W. P. Bartlett's Office,

Will be Sold at Publick Auction,

A variety of Shop Goods and  
other articles:

*Among which are,*

A Few pieces best India BANDANNOES—  
BROADCLOTHS in patterns—twill'd &  
plain CORDUROY—few doz. purple & white  
SHAWLS—Hair Ribbons—coloured Threads—N<sup>o</sup>  
4 Pins—Irish LINENS—yellow SERGE—black  
LASTINGS—WHALEBONE—large and small  
BIBLES—Chip Hats—Watch Chains—Bottled  
Mustard—Playing Cards—Green Chairs—few pounds  
of NUTMEGS—Men's Worsted STOCKINGS,  
&c.—*Sale to begin at 11 o'clock, A. M.*

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The following notice of the Bradford Academy from the "Salem Gazette" reminds us of the days of small prices,—"Tuition \$3," or "\$3.50 to those who paint and embroider"!

*Bradford Academy.*

THE Female Apartment in Bradford Academy, half a mile from Haverhill Bridge, will be opened the first Wednesday in May, under the direction of approved instructors. The Male Apartment will be continued as usual. Young Masters and Misses will be instructed by such as are assigned to their respective Apartments, in all the branches hitherto taught in that or in any other Academy. The preceptor will spend less time than usual in the female apartment, and the preceptress will have an assistant. The price of tuition, except those who paint and embroider, will be three dollars a quarter. To those who paint and embroider, three dollars and fifty cents. Very particular attention will be paid to inculcate virtuous sentiments and preserve the moral character of the scholars.

Bradford, April 9, 1805.

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Husbands often advertise wives, but it is seldom that a wife publicly refuses to pay her husband's debts, as according to the following announcement from the "Salem Gazette,"

Mistress Sarah Brooks did. This was before the days of "women's rights," too.

THE Subscriber being apprehensive that her Husband, JOHN BROOKS, will contract debts on her account—this is to forbid any person trusting him on her account, as she will not satisfy any debt so contracted after this date—altho my compassion for him is such, that he shall not want for any thing I can help him to—knowing him to be a poor, forlorn young man. I cannot but pity his condition, and sincerely hope he will alter his way of life for the better—tear jealousy from his heart—bury in oblivion his unhappy temper—and take up a firm resolution, that he will turn from the error of his ways, to a better course of life, become a good citizen, a friend to his wife and children, and not hearken any more to his supposed friends (tho greatest enemies)—this is the sincere wish of the Subscriber.

SARAH BROOKS.

*Marblehead, March 27, 1793.*

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In the "Salem Gazette," Oct. 8, 1793, Frederick Jordis complains of "a certain greedy worshipper of Plutus."

WHEREAS a certain greedy worshipper of Plutus has attempted (canker worm like) to blast the tender bloom of my reputation, by misrepre-



senting an occurrence that took place between us on the third inst.—I take this method, as the most salutary remedy, to put a stop to its dangerous ravages. I will confess candidly every particular. Sometime since, this man came to me with an account I had in vain demanded of him 4 months ago for horse-hire; having compared it with my own memorandum, I found three charges over and above what I owed him, and the remainder a third higher than usual; finding him unwilling to diminish his unjust claim, I repaired to his house last Thursday to settle with him, and paid him in full the amount of his bill, subtraction made of his three charges: Perceiving his intention was to make me pay them again, I pocketed the bill; his pugilistick arguments to get it back again made me obstinately refuse it; and thanks to a gentleman then present, I escaped his dirty hands. Unwilling to enter the field of Themis with such an antagonist, I will place his receipted account into any impartial man's hands, and submit cheerfully to his decision.

FREDERICK JORDIS.

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To show how factories were supplied with operatives in the early days of manufacturing in New England, we copy an advertisement from the "Columbian Centinel," March 4, 1795. This is addressed especially to those parents

“who can ill afford to maintain their children.”  
How much better off our manufacturing towns would be if such a system were practicable now !

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*An exceeding good opportunity for  
parents (in these very expensive times for every necessary of life) to provide their children with good and comfortable maintenance, cloathing, schooling, and a trade, but little known and understood in this country.*

**M**R. ERVING proposes to receive as Apprentices to the Cotton & Woolen Manufactory (now going on at New-Haven) any number of Boys or Girls, from the age of ten to fourteen. They will be instructed in all the various branches of the factory, well cloathed and fed, and taught to read, write and cypher ; and parents may be assured that the most particular attention will be paid to the morals, as well as to the education, of their children.

Those who can but ill afford to maintain their children, have now an opportunity of binding them to a trade which must, in a few years, be peculiarly beneficial to them and advantageous to their country.

Mr. ERVING will thank those that have an inclination to put their children out, to call on him, at his house, No. 42 Marlborough-street, Boston, where they can be more particularly informed of the

nature of the factory, and the advantages which muſt eventually accrue to their children from a general knowledge of this uſeful branch of buſineſs.

March 4, 1795.

*THE following lines were written in the Shop of the Subscriber, by a ſon of St. Crifpin, viewing with contempt the tyrannical and oppreſſive diſpoſition of a Man who has threat'ned vengeance on his neighbour's buſineſs, becauſe the article he deals in is SHOES.*

Salem, 9th Mo. 6th, 1801.

Oh Shame! that Man a Dog ſhould imitate,  
And only live, his fellow Man to hate.

An envious Dog, once in a manger lay,  
And ſtarv'd himſelf, to keep an Ox from hay,  
Altho' thereof he could not eat—


Yet if the Ox was ſtarv'd, to him 't was ſweet.

His neighbor's comfort thus for to annoy,

Altho' thereby he did his own deſtroy.

Oh! Man, ſuch actions from the page eraze,

And from thy breaſt malicious envy CHACE.

 *Twenty per Cent was ſtruck off at one clip, from thoſe kind of Shoes, which are moſtly worn. It is fifteen months ſince the Shoe War commenced.*

J. MANSFIELD, 3d.

A general Affortment of Shoes for Sale as uſual, at a living profit.

*Salem Register.*

*Appropriate Mourning.*

IN consequence of the late afflicting event of the death of the much lamented General *Hamilton*, TUCKER & THAYER will sell their black ITALIAN CRAPE at the reduced price of one dollar per yard 4-4 wide :—

“ *GOD takes the Good, too good on earth to stay,  
And leaves the Bad, too bad to take away!* ”

*Columbian Centinel, July 25, 1804.*

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Bad effects of the abolition of slavery in Providence, R. I.

*From the Providence Gazette.*

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Messrs. Printers,  
You will oblige a number of your customers, by publishing the following advertisement in the next Gazette.

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*Five Hundred Dollars Reward.*

Was mislaid, or taken away by mistake (soon after the formation of the Abolition Society) from the Servant Girls of this town, all inclination to do any kind of work ;—and left in lieu thereof, an impudent appearance, a strong and continued thirst for high wages,

a gossiping disposition for all sorts of amusement, a leering and hankering after persons of the other sex, a desire of finery and fashion, a never ceasing trot after new places more advantageous for stealing—with number of contingent accomplishments that do not suit the wearers. Now if any person or persons will restore to the owners that degree of Honesty and Industry, which has been for some time missing, he or they shall receive the reward of Five Hundred Dollars, beside the warmest blessings of many abused and insulted

HOUSEHOLDERS.

*Providence, Oct. 14, 1796.*

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Parents in Boston cautioned against thorn-apples in “Columbian Centinel,” Oct. 26, 1793.

*CAUTION!*

THE Inspector of Police, respectfully makes known to Parents and others, that of late, several children have very much injured themselves, by eating the seeds of Stramonium, or Thorn-Apple, commonly called Devil's Apple; who must inevitably have died, had they not been speedily relieved by Emetics, &c. As those bushes are in several parts of the town, it would be well, if they were destroyed.

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Rabbits a curiosity in 1798.

*Curious Living Animals.*

MR. GILBERT informs the Public that he has purchased, at considerable expense, a Collection of Living Animals, harmless and playful.

A large Baboon, which is allowed to be the most curious Animal of its kind, ever seen in America.

A Porcupine, Bear, Rackoon and Rabbit, which are also very great curiosities.

 The Collection may be seen every day (except Sundays) from 4 o'clock in the afternoon until sunset, at the *Granary*, head of the *Mall*, *Boston*. *Admittance* Nine Pence for *Ladies and Gentlemen*, and *half price for Children*.  
May 12.

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*Columbian Centinel.*

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Mourning badge for Washington.

A very ingenious and elegant mourning Vignette, stamped on satin ribbon, for the purpose of being worn by the Ladies on public occasions, is for sale at Mr. *Thomas Brewer's* shop in Cornhill. The device contains a profile bust of the deceased WASHINGTON in an obelisk, with the trophies of war, and the arms of the U. S. ; round the monument are nymphs in the posture of mourning ; and on the base

are inscribed in legible characters the initials of his name, and the date of his birth and death.

*E. Russell's Gazette*, Jan. 16, 1800.

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Temple of Fame in Boston, with a real eagle, in 1800.

### *Temple of Fame.*


MR. Bowen respectfully informs the public that the MUSEUM is again opened, with additions and improvements. An excellent figure of GEN. WASHINGTON will appear in a Temple of Fame, expressive of the late melancholy event.—The Young Ladies which represent the *Sister States* (with a real Eagle hovering over) will be seen with suitable alterations: — with a variety of rural decorations of *Groves* and *Forests*. *Jan. 2.*

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*Boston Gazette.*

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Families used to live in State Street, Boston, in 1796.

 A Family in State-street, that does not make a business of keeping boarders, will accommodate a couple of gentlemen, who are disposed to

make themselves agreeable in a private family. Apply at the office of the Daily Advertiser.

*Daily Advertiser and Polar Star, Dec. 22.*

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Copley's paintings at auction in 1790.

THIS DAY, (*At TEN in the Morning,*)  
Will be fold by PUBLIC VENDUE at  
Ruffell & Clap's Auction-Room,  
COURT STREET,

A Variety of elegant paintings, &c.—principally by the ingenious Mr. COPLEY.—ALSO, an Electrical Machine, a glass Case for a shop, &c.

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*Columbian Centinel, Aug. 31.*

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The way they compromised with creditors in 1806.

*To the Public.*

WHEREAS by misfortunes, together with expenses of law suits, with honest pride I acknowledge I am not worth one cent in the world, and of course cannot pay my debts. But through the assistance of friends, I am now accommodated with a Shop, and necessary Tools to carry on my business,




in *Cambridge-Port*. where I shall be happy to execute any kind of work for those I am indebted to, at the lowest cash price, on this condition—that I am paid one half of what the work comes to, in cash, when delivered. But if my creditors will allow me time, and my health is spared, I have no doubt I shall soon be able to pay twenty shillings on the pound to them, in cash.

To those gentlemen I am not indebted to, I solicit of them a share of their work, assuring them, that whatever engagements I make, shall be executed punctually, and in a workmanlike manner, by their humble servant,

RICHARD GRIDLEY

*Cambridge-Port*, sept. 10, 1806.

 The Printers of Newspapers in Boston are requested to publish the above, provided they will receive their pay in Smith's work.

*Columbian Centinel.*

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On the 11th of January, 1799, Mr. Briggs advertises in the "Salem Gazette" and thanks "the good people of the County of *Essex* for their spirited exertions in bringing down the trees of the forest for building the frigate. In the short space of four weeks, the full complement of timber has been furnished." He ends by saying: —

“Next September is the time  
 When we’ll launch her from the strand,  
 And our cannon load and prime  
 With tribute due to Talleyrand.”

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The following advertisement appeared in the papers in 1798, in reference to the building of the frigate “Essex”: —



## TAKE NOTICE!

**Y**E Sons of Freedom! all true lovers of the Liberty of your Country! step forth, and give your assistance in building the Frigate, to oppose French insolence and piracy. Let every man in possession of a *White Oak Tree*, be ambitious to be foremost in hurrying down the timber to Salem, and fill the complement wanting, where the noble structure is to be fabricated, to maintain your rights upon the Seas, and make the name of America respected among the nations of the world. Your largest and

longest trees are wanted, and the arms of them for Knees and Rifing Timber. Four trees are wanted for the Keel, which all together will measure 146 feet in length, and hew 16 inches square. Please to call on the Subscriber, who wants to make contracts for large or small quantities, as may suit best, and will pay the READY CASH.

*ENOS BRIGGS.*

SALEM, Nov. 23, 1798.

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CASH GIVEN FOR

ONE ton COPPER, in pigs, or old COPPER—10 tons best old Sable or Swedes IRON. Apply to the Subscriber.

ALSO—*WANTED*,

A *Blacksmith*, to contract for doing all the IRON WORK of the

*SALEM FRIGATE.*

\* \* Proposals therefor, will be received from any Smith, sealed and directed to

JOHN JENKS.

*Salem, Nov. 21.*

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In the "Gazette" of Oct. 1, 1799, appears the following brief account of the launching of the "Essex;" also a communication in reference to the frigate.

**Salem,**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1799.

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Yesterday the FRIGATE ESSEX, of 32 guns, was launched from the stocks, in this town. She went into the water with the most easy and graceful motion, amidst the acclamations of thousands of spectators, and a federal salute from her guns on the hill, returned by an armed ship in the harbour, commanded by Capt. Thomas Williams. The Committee acting for the subscribers, Col. Hacket, the superintendant, and Mr. Briggs, the master builder, have thus the satisfaction of producing to their country as fine a ship, of her size, as graces the American Navy. It is not yet known who will command her; but it is on all hands agreed that she is well calculated to do essential service to her country.

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**COMMUNICATION.**

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*And ADAMS said, "LET THERE BE A NAVY!"  
and there was a Navy.*

To build a Navy was the advice of our venerable sage. How far it has been adhered to, is demonstrated by almost every town in the United States, that is capable of floating a *galley* or a *gun boat*.

Salem has not been backward in this laudable design. Impressed with a due sense of the import-

ance of a Navy, the patriotic citizens of this town put out a subscription, and thereby obtained an equivalent for building a vessel of force. Among the foremost in this *good work* were Messrs. DERBY and GRAY, who set the example by subscribing TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS each. But alas! the former is no more—we trust his *good deeds follow him*.

Such was the patriotic zeal with which our citizens were impressed, that in the short space of SIX MONTHS they contracted for the materials and equipment of a Frigate of 32 guns, and had her completed yesterday for launching. The chief part of the timber was standing but six months ago—and in a *moment*, as it were, “*every Grove descended*,” to put in force the patriotic intentions of those at whose expense she was built.

Yesterday the Stars and Stripes were unfurled on board the Frigate ESSEX, and at 12 o'clock she made a majestic movement into her destined element, there to join her sister craft in repelling foreign aggressions, and maintaining the *Rights* and *Liberties* of a “GREAT, FREE, POWERFUL & INDEPENDENT NATION.”

The concourse of spectators was immense; and the averted face of jacobinism was not seen depicted on the countenance of a single one;—but on the contrary, the heart-felt satisfaction of the beholders of this magnificent spectacle, was evinced by the concurring shouts and huzzas of thousands, which reiterated from every quarter.

The unremitting zeal of Mr. BRIGGS, the Architect of this beautiful ship, cannot be too highly applauded. His assiduity, in bringing her into a state of such perfection, in so short a time, entitles him to the grateful thanks of his country; and we fondly hope that his labours have not been spent in vain, for we may truly say that he has not *given rest to the sole of his foot*, since her keel was first laid.

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The “Massachusetts Mercury,” Dec. 27, 1799, says:—

The frigate *Effex*, of 32 guns, capt. PREBBLE, failed from *Salem* on Sunday morning last for *Newport*. She saluted *Fort Pickering*, which returned the salute. She sails remarkably well.

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At “No. 1, Honesty Side,” Salem, dry goods were to be had in 1807.

*John H. Keith*

Informs the inhabitants of Salem and its environs, that on the 15th day of April next ensuing, he intends opening a Shop for the purpose of vending

Dry Goods,

*No 1, Honesty Side.*

Constantly for Sale, American, French, English, Italian, Dutch and India manufactures, from



The "Grand Lodge." Paul Revere, master, has the following notice in the "Massachusetts Centinel:" —

*Grand Lodge.*



THE OFFICERS and MEMBERS of the GRAND LODGE, and the Representatives of Lodges, are hereby requested to attend a Quarterly Communication at Concert-Hall in Boston, on the evening of Monday, the 9th March, at 7 o'clock.

By order of the Most Worshipful  
PAUL REVERE, G. Master.

DANIEL OLIVER, G. Secretary.

Boston, Feb. 28, 1795.

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A remarkable dog is on exhibition in Salem,  
March 24, 1807.

THE SAPIENT DOG.  
*AT WASHINGTON-HALL,*  
To-MORROW EVENING.

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The extraordinary sagacity of this Animal, supercedes the necessity of puffing advertisements or



exaggerated bills—that the Sapien Dog is a great curiosity, the Proprietor feels no hesitation in affirming, that his feats of activity are more various and pleasing than any preceding exhibition of a similar nature, all of which will be made manifest to every spectator, by his dexterity and precision in exhibiting the following performances—viz.

*He illuminates the Exhibition Room, himself, by Lighting  
his own Lamps.*

By means of Typographical Cards, (in the same manner as a Printer composes,)

*He Spells, and Reads Print or Writing.*

By any person's watch in the company,  
*Tells the time of the Day,*


Both the hour and minutes—the date of the year,  
day of the month, and week, and distinguishes colours.  
As an Arithmetician,

*He Adds, Subtracts, Divides and Multiplies,*

Tells how many persons there are present,

*Discharges a loaded Cannon, and jumps through a Hoop.*

To conclude—the proprietor will suffer any Lady or Gentleman in the company, to make choice of a card, and the Dog, notwithstanding the face of both packs are concealed from him, will discover the card so drawn.

 Tickets at 25 cents, to be sold at Cushing & Appleton's Book-Store, children half price.—No money received at the door.

*Gazette.*

The “Shaksperian Society” of Boston has “new revised” articles in 1795, according to the following notice to members:—

### Shaksperian Society.

**TAKE NOTICE**—All persons who have regularly been balloted for, as Members of the above Society, who have not yet signed the Articles, since their being new revised, must attend this Evening, and execute the same, or they will not be admitted as Members thereof. Members of the above society are requested to attend early on particular business.

By Order,

March 7, 1795.

J. ROBINSON, Sec'y.

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### Connecticut “Election Goods.”

**THE** Subscriber refers the generous Public to his late advertisements to be informed of the articles he still continues to sell by wholesale and retail; and also respectfully informs them, that he has just come to hand, a fresh assortment of Chintzes and Calicoes, Gentlemen’s fancy Waistcoating, silk Romal, buff and other Shawls, printed Jeans, cotton and linen Handkerchiefs, a variety of Ribbons, all of a late importation; Nankeens of a superior quality, and cheaper by nine pence in the single piece than can be purchased in New-York by the quantity. Among his fancy patterns for ladies are, the Covent Garden

Crofs-bar, the Renelagh full moon, the Pruffian ftormont, Harlequin's motto, and an olive check inclofing four lions rampant and three flours de Luce; and for gentlemen's waiftcoating, the Sportsman's fancy, the Prince of Wales's New-Market jockey, and the modeft pale blue. He doubts not in the leaft, but that among the great variety of figures he has, every fancy may be fuited; and as for the prices, he makes not the leaft hesitation to affert, they will be approved.—He alfo has taken the greateft pains to procure for young mafters and miffes fuch cloths and figures as will be durable, pleafing, and well fuited to the approaching general election.

THOMAS TISDALL.

N. B. A few pair of gentlemen's doe fkin hunting Gloves, and choice old Spirits by the gallon; a *little* of which may be ufed as a cordial. 9

*Hartford, next door fouth of Mefrs. Hudfon }  
and Goodwin's Printing-Office, 1788. }*

### *The crooked Staff of Life.*

PURE, mild and unadulterated St. CROIX RUM, to be fold by the hogfhead, barrel or lesser quantity, on pleafing terms, for one of the great effentials, *Solid Coin*, by the public's very humble fervant, next door to Hudfon and Goodwin's Printing-Office.

THOMAS TISDALE.

*Connecticut Courant, May 19, 1788.*

*Republican B E E F.*

THE subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Hartford, that he has purchased the fattest OX and COW perhaps in Connecticut, which will be killed and ready for sale for the ensuing Election, at a low price for the times. Those who wish to purchase *real good Beef*, will please to apply to

WILLIAM BROWN.

April 28, 1794.

*Connecticut Courant.*

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Nantucket wit and humor on the 4th of July, in the year 1829.

A GRAND TOUCH. The last Nantucket Inquirer contains the following advertisement : —

At the sign of the Eastern Pine,  
Where the red and the white combine.

JOHN PETERS, a descendant of the famous English Divine, Hugh Peters, informs all the tidy citizens of Nantucket, that Apollo and the Graces came over in the last packet, and have taken up their abode at the corner of Pearl and Water streets. He officiates as high Priest in their temple, where it is his delightful task to adorn the outward man, to *shave* off excrescences, and trim into proportion the shrubbery which

nature has reared around the headpieces of mankind. —By a judicious application of the *scissors* of discrimination, the *soap* of good nature, the *brush* of reform, and the *razor* of decision, he expects to bring about results which, like powers of the Steam Engine are, as yet, only dreamed of. The grace of the Athenian beau and the dignity of the Roman senator shall be so intermingled in the *grand contour* of all who submit to his touch, that the *toute ensemble* cannot fail to kindle love and command respect.

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## CHARLES HARDY,

## STREET SWEEPER,

TAKES this method publicly to return his grateful thanks to his friends of Marlborough street, Cornhill, &c. for their kindness to him during the past season ; not only in patronizing him while able to perform his usual labors, but in assisting him while under the influence of a distressing and debilitating disease. He has grown old in the service of the inhabitants of Boston, and they do not forget him—they do not cast him off, or suffer him to become an inmate of the Alms-house ; and although *he is an African*, he will not be guilty of the *blackest* of sins—that of ingratitude. He humbly solicits a continuance of their favors, to enable him to buffet the inclemency of the approaching season, (when his regular employ-

ment fails) and flatters himself he shall still be able to sustain that character of fidelity which the partiality of his friends has bestowed upon him.

BOSTON, Nov. 28, 1815.

*Columbian Centinel.*

THE subscriber wishes to notify his old honourable customers, who practise stealing and destroying his fruit every year, that his Water Mellons are now almost ripe; and if they do not as usual destroy the fruit and vines immediately, they will get entirely ripe; and then some body or other will be the better for them, which will be a grievous mortification to those manly gentlemen.

EZRA GRISWOLD.

Simsbury, August 4, 1794.

*Connecticut Courant.*

### Removal.



SAMUEL MYLOD informs his friends and the public that he has removed from Danvers to the building belonging to Mrs. *Martha Procter*, near Bufum's corner, Salem, where he colours all kinds of wearing apparel. Silks cleansed from spots or injury from sea. N. B. Pickles that will keep the longest voyage, for Sale.

Oct. 11.\*

*Salem Gazette*, 1805.

In "old times" even publishers were sometimes short of money, and ready to barter with their subscribers. So celebrated a character as Isaiah Thomas, of the "Worcester Spy," was occasionally obliged to give "hints" to his "Delinquent Customers and Postriders." The latter were distributors of papers to country customers.

*To Delinquent Customers.*

 *Serious Times—or the PRINTER without Money—or a Final Hint to Delinquent Customers and Postriders!* 

THE Subscriber has frequently given *Hints* to his *Delinquent Customers* and *Postriders*, that he was in want of Cash and has repeatedly invited all indebted to him to come forward and make an immediate settlement, without being put to any *extra cost*—he now, for the last time, informs all that are indebted to him for *Newspapers, Advertisements, &c. &c.* that an immediate settlement must be made, and all who disregard this notice, may depend upon having their Notes and Accounts put into the hands of an Attorney.

To accommodate those who cannot pay money, the following articles will be received until the FIRST

of JANUARY, 1803, viz. *Corn, Rye, Wheat, Oats,* and *Wood*—Those who have not the above articles, and who cannot make it convenient to pay the money at present, their NOTES will be received, payable in *Three Months*, provided they are given previous to the *Second Wednesday in March* next.

ISAIAH THOMAS, Jun.  
*Worcester*, November 17, 1802.

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*To be SOLD,*

*And entered upon next April,*

THE House and Land now occupied by the subscriber, pleasantly situated at a very public corner, in the main street, at the West part of the town. —After serving the public faithfully, for several years, as a private soldier in the army, and suffering most intolerable hardships, I am now, on account of my country's unfaithfulness, in not paying what they owe me, obliged to sell the house which belonged to my ancestors, in order to pay my debts, and to retire to an obscure hut at some distance from the town.

JOSEPH METCALF.

*Salem Gazette*, 1784.

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An advertisement like the following is not only “quaint or curious,” but it is also rare: —



ONE evening last week, a piece of Gold was passed, through mistake, at Beverly Ferry, to Asa Leech's Ferryman, with coppers, for a copper. —The owner may have it again, applying to said Leech, telling the marks, and paying the charges.

*Beverly, Sept. 20, 1784.*

*Salem Gazette.*

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In 1798 a "Learned Pig" was in Salem, and we notice that about the same time a learned dog was exhibited.

*For ten days only.*

## Mr. PINCHBECK

RESPECTFULLY informs the Inhabitants of SALEM, that he has just arrived in this town with that great natural curiosity, the

### Pig of Knowledge,

And flatters himself, after exhibiting before the President of the United States with unbounded applause, and in every principal City in the Union, to have the honour of gratifying such Ladies and Gentlemen in this place, as may favour him with their Company.

*This extraordinary Animal will actually perform the following surprising particulars, viz.*

He reads print or writing, spells, tells the time of day, both the hours and minutes, by any person's watch in the company, the date of the year, the day of the month, distinguishes colours, how many persons there are present, ladies or gentlemen, and to the astonishment of every spectator, will answer any question in the four first rules of Arithmetick. To conclude, any Lady or Gentleman may draw a card from a pack, and keep it concealed, and the PIG without hesitation will discover the card when drawn.

Those who doubt the truth of the above are informed in case it don't answer every expectation the advertisement can excite, and prove a real living Animal, shall have the Money returned, or be at liberty to pay after they have convinced themselves by seeing him perform.

To be seen in a convenient room under the western side of Concert-Hall, Market-Street.


*Admittance, for grown persons, one Quarter of a Dollar.—Children half price.*

N. B. Strict attention paid to keep the place fit for the reception of Ladies.

MAY 4, 1798.

*Salem Gazette.*

This is a quiet way of asking a favor ; taken from a paper of 1811 : —

 Mr. LANG would thank the person that took a *Camblet Cloak* from his entry the last summer to return it, as he expects to want it the approaching cold weather.

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Mr. George W Felt seems not to have been accustomed to show much gallantry, judging from his notice in the “Salem Gazette,” Sept. 4, 1804.


*WHEREAS two GIRLS were seen taking  
APPLES from the Subscriber's Field, on  
Sunday last, in North Fields, so called, if they will  
call and settle for the same, THIS DAY, they will  
avoid further trouble !*

GEORGE W. FELT

*Salem, Sept. 4, 1804.*

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Females seem to have been often in difficulty in “old times,” as appears from some of the advertisements, of which we give a few specimens. But perhaps this was due in part, at least, to “kleptomania,” — a disease then but little understood.

 *The FEMALE, who a few days since took 4 Pair of SLIPPERS from a shop in old Paved Street, is requested to return them, and no questions will be asked; if she does not return them in 6 days she will hear from the owner another way.*

Jan. 5, 1792.

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*The Female who offered a Counterfeit Seven Dollar Bill at Mr. Dow's Shop, on Wednesday afternoon, and afterwards passed it upon a small Lad at another shop, is desired to call and exchange the same, if she wishes to avoid trouble, as her name is known.*

Nov. 1, 1805.

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The Female that took from the Shop of the subscriber on Monday, 19th of June, four pair COTTON HOSE, is requested to return them to prevent further exposure.

June 20, 1815.

JOHN RUST.

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An indiscreet and ungrateful servant advertised as missing. We take the following from the "Columbian Centinel," Sept. 30, 1807:—

A GOOD *LIKENESS* OF *SANCHO*,  
A NEGRO MAN,

thirty years of age, about 5 feet high, very black complexion, good teeth, not corpulent, but well formed, and of erect position of body & a *fast walker*, WHO absented himself (supposed to have been inveigled away by some artful villains for their own use and benefit) upon the Evening of the 17th inst. from his Master, WINTHROP SARGENT, late



Governor of the Mississippi Territory. He had learned the trade of a Barber, and is in every respect a most accomplished servant for a gentleman or a family; was born and educated in his Master's house; endeared to *him*, his *mistress*, and his own *wife* and *children*, as well as the numerous blacks of his Master's Plantations, by long, affectionate, and faithful services, and ere this *solitary* instance of malconduct, there was not a single doubt entertained that the attachments were mutual and inviolable. If he voluntarily returns to the service of his Master, he shall be received with wonted kindness and affection, but no expense will be spared to punish to the utmost limits of the law, all persons who may be accessory in harboring or concealing him, and the sum of FIFTY DOL-

LARS shall be paid to any person who will apprehend and deliver him to his Master, or in his absence to Mr. IGNATIUS SARGENT, in *Boston*; to Messrs. G & T ASPINWALLE, in *New-York*; or Col. HODGDON, in *Philadelphia*;---or the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for delivering him to Mr. DAVID URQUHART, Merchant, *New-Orleans*.

WINTHROP SARGENT

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### UNGUIOLOGY

JUST Received, and for Sale at the Printing-Office of BELCHER & ARMSTRONG, No. 79, *State-street*, and at the several Bookstores—a few copies of that rare and valuable work, “A Translation of Doctor *Gasper Gall La’Veytur’s* UNGUIOLOGY, or the doctrine of *Toe-Nails*.” The various editions, languages, and countries, through which this publication has passed almost in rapid succession, exceed calculation. Gentlemen of literature are invited to apply in season, as the work is under restriction and cannot be reprinted in this country. Foreign reviews speaking of it say, “The ingenuity of Doctor *Gasper Gall La’Veytur’s* Unguiological system exceeds the capacity of our praise. It is impossible for any one of judgment and penetration to read this work without being convinced that the seat of the soul is in the toe-nails; the superior advantages which this

index has over physiognomy and craniology are made most incontrovertibly evident to the most common comprehension."    *Price 32½ cents.*    august 27.

*Centinel*, 1806.

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The really curious collection of the Columbian Museum is advertised in the "Boston Chronicle," Dec. 19, 1797.

LATE ADDITIONS TO THE  
COLUMBIAN MUSEUM,

*At the Head of the MALL, BOSTON.*

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Mr. BOWEN informs the Public, that he has purchased Mr. PAFF's much admired Exhibition of

CONCERT CLOCKS,

*Which are placed at the head of the Museum Hall, as a valuable and pleasing addition to that very extensive repository of CURIOSITIES.*

1. **A** CANARY BIRD, which sings a variety of beautiful songs, minuets, marches, &c. natural as life.
2. A company of *Automatum Figures*, which dance to the Music of an Harpsichord.
3. Three Figures, which play the Organ and Clarinet in concert.
4. Three Figures, which play the Harp-

fichord and Hautboys, in concert. 5. King Herod beheading John the Baptist, and his Daughter holding a charger to receive the head. 6. A Chimney Sweep and his boy on the top of a chimney. 7. Three Figures which strike the hours and quarters. 8. A Butcher killing an Ox.

*The above CONCERT CLOCKS have been exhibited in New-York, with universal applause, and are well worthy the attention of the Citizens of Boston and the Public in general.*

The Mufuem also contains the most extensive Collection of

### *ELEGANT PAINTINGS,*

That ever was exhibited in the United States, some of which are 10 by 12 feet, elegantly framed, and valued from 500 to 1000 dols.

ALSO—*A Collection of upwards of*

50 elegant Figures of WAXWORK, Large as Life, among which are the following (the most interesting) viz.

The late King of France, taking an affectionate leave of his family just before he suffered under the guillotine: The Queen appears in a rage of distraction—the King's Sister deeply affected—the young Princess is fainting—and the Dauphin is embracing his unhappy Father—the Queen's Maid of Honor also appears in great distress. A guard of Soldiers are waiting to conduct him to the place of execution.



This is an affecting scene which appears as natural as the life, and is the most interesting group of WAX FIGURES that ever was exhibited to the United States.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, late President of the United States, is elegantly situated in the centre of the Museum Hall, furrounded by four beautiful *Wax Figures*, representing LIBERTY, with the staff and cap—JUSTICE, with the sword and balance—PEACE, with the olive branch extended and PLENTY, with a cornucopia, or horn of plenty, loaded with fruit.

Dr. FRANKLIN, sitting at a table, with the late Dr. STILES, President of Yale College, Connecticut. The *New-York Beauty*. The *Sleeping Nymph*. A Tea Party of Young Ladies, with a Servant Negro Girl. The *Salem Beauty*. *Maternal Affection*, or a Lady with two beautiful Children. The *Boston Beauty*. *Sir Charles Grandison* and *Miss Harriet Byron*. *Charlotte* weeping at the Tomb of *Werter*.—*Humphreys* and *Mendoza*, the celebrated English Boxers. The domestic Cottager, at the spinning wheel. The venerable *John S. Hutton*, who lately died in Philadelphia, aged 108 years and 4 months, dressed with the same cloathes which he wore when living, with his own cane, pipe, tobacco-box, &c. The assassination of MARAT, by the beautiful Miss CHARLOTTE CORDE, in France. Two Greenwich Pensioners. The late unfortunate Baron TRENCK, loaded with

large iron chains in a real Prison. An Indian Warrior, with his tomahawk, belts of wampum, &c. Two Chinese Mandarines, drest in the modern stile of that country. Also, two Mandarines, deposited in the Museum, For Sale.

*With a great variety of*

### Natural and Artificial Curiosities ;


Among which are a great variety of *Birds, live Owls, Beasts, Reptiles, Serpents*, (one of which is a RATTLE-SNAKE, 9 years of age, and 4 feet in length,) *Insects, Diamond Beetle, Glass Frigates*, two feet in length, compleatly rigged and mounted with Glass Guns, &c.

The *MUSEUM* has lately received the principal Additions for this season—It is Opened Every Day, (except Sundays) and ILLUMINATED every

*Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday Evenings.*



Notice to the economical, from the “Salem Mercury,” July 8, 1788.

 Save your Rags !

AND send them to the Printing Office ; you will there receive for what you think of no service, money *enough*, which, in effect, is the same as having

money for nothing, and is certainly better than to be at the trouble of sweeping Rags away. If this *beloved* argument is thought insufficient to procure them, then only think of the virtue of serving your country !

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“ Beauties ” to be seen.

### New Additions.

THE BOSTON MUSEUM, North side the *Market*, has lately received many very valuable additions, among which are

The *Philadelphia*, *New-York*, and *Salem* Beauties, and a number of other Figures.—*Also*, a variety of natural curiosities, among which are the skin of the *Sea-Elephant*, in natural preservation, which measures 8 feet in length, and 6 feet round the body, &c. The skin of the African *Lion*, a *Calf* with 8 legs, 2 bodies, and one head, in natural preservation, &c. &c.

Museum opened every day and evening, Saturdays and Sundays excepted.

 *Admittance to the Museum, 25 Cents.*

The Invisible Lady, and Acoustic Temple, continues to be exhibited among the other curiosities, at 25 Cents admittance.

June 29.

*Columbian Centinel, 1805.*

A case of short weight of a load of hay is gravely advertised in the "Columbian Centinel" by the town-weigher

MR. RUSSELL,

THIS day came EZEKIEL KINGSBURY, jun., of Dedham, with a Load of Hay to be weighed, which was accordingly done. After it was weighed, he drove it off round Mr. *Greenleaf's* corner, where he stopped. Mr. *Jonathan Trask*, truckman, wanted to purchase a load of hay—went and tried to bargain with him for it, and as he was going towards the hay, he perceived a man raise his head on the top of the load, by the name of *Draper*, of said town. He accordingly came to me and told me of it. I went in pursuit of *Kingsbury*, and overtook him just before he got to the Granary, and ordered him back to the scales to have his load weighed again, which weighed one hundred and an half less than it did before.—The several printers are requested to insert the above, to prevent further impositions on the publick.

HOPESTILL FOSTER, Hay-weigher.  
*Boston, Dec. 15, 1789.*

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It seems to have been the fashion in "old times" with people who had articles stolen from them to advertise in the papers, requesting the thief or thieves to make restitution.

Probably this was the surest method of recovery, in the absence of the detective system. Joseph Tyler in the "Boston Gazette," Nov. 21, 1761, is inclined to be sarcastic, and Samuel Brazer, of Worcestêr, in 1802, is witty, but modest. As to stealing psalm-books, no one would dream of doing such a thing in these days. Our modern thieves are not interested in devotional books; they prefer "yellow-covered literature."

Joseph Tyler *desires the Person*  
*that borrowed his Surtout to return it, if it is not*  
*worn out.* 1767.

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Taken out of the Pew, No. 59,  
in the Rev'd Mr. Barnard, fenior's Meeting-House,  
about a Month since, a PSALM-BOOK. The Per-  
son is desired to return it, otherwise may depend upon  
being expofed.

*Essex Gazette, Sept. 28, 1773.*

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### *A MODEST REQUEST!*

THE two obliging *Ladies*, who on the night  
of Monday, the 29th ultimo, between fix and  
feven o'clock in the evening, took from the Store of

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the Subscriber (*not by mistake*) FIVE BARCELONA HANDKERCHIEFS, are desired to return them immediately, *with satisfactory remuneration*, or the next notice they receive will come "GREETING."

SAMUEL BRAZER.

Worcester, December 8, 1802.

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THE person who took six pair of SHOES, one day last week, under a false name, from a shop in Essex Street, would do well, if they wish to avoid difficulties, to return them immediately.

Salem, July 22.

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*Salem Gazette*, 1800.

*The Person who yesterday, at dusk, took a piece of black VELVET from the shop board of the Subscribers, is well known. He has now an opportunity of returning it, and if not immediately done, shall suffer the penalty of the Law.*

J. & I. NEWHALL.

Salem, Nov. 5, 1805.

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Pictures like the following could be seen in the "Essex Gazette" in 1771 (May 14).



Ran away from the Subscriber, on the 4th of May, a Negro Man named *Cato*, of a middling Stature, has lost the Sight of his left Eye, had on a kersey Jacket and leather Breeches. Whoever shall take up said Negro, and bring him to his Master in Salem, shall have Two Dollars Reward, and all Charges paid, by

*William Hunt.*

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Vessels were accommodated at “Rotting Row,” in Salem, in 1812, and we presume there is room for some now.

SEVERAL BIRTHS for VESSELS are vacant at Rotting Row, the tides are favorable and the Dockage so extremely low, good and safe, as to make it an object for any one to haul his vessel there to winter.

Salem, Nov. 20.

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It used to be common in the early part of this century to see such goods as “Mamoodies,” “Chittabully Baftas,” etc., advertised in the Salem and Boston papers.

# JOHN STONE,

*Has for sale,*

*Front street,*

ONE bale MUGGA MAMOODIES;  
 1 do. MADRAS PAT HANDKERCHIEFS;  
 1 do. ALEABAD MOWSANNAS;  
 1 do. do. MAMODIES;  
 1 do. CHITTABULLY BAFTAS;  
 1 do. JOLLOPOUR SANNAS;  
 1 do. BANDANNAS;

Imported in the ship Union, Capt. Osgood, from  
 Calcutta, and of the first chop. *Sept. 24, 1811.*

In another advertisement we notice “Guzzenahs, Allebad Emerty, Taundah Khassah, Mahge Gunge.” These are all India cottons.



It seems strange to us now, when we see so many boot-blacks everywhere, to learn that in 1815 the “craft” advertised in the papers, as did “wood-sawyers,” too, about the same time. As coal had not then been introduced into Salem, everybody burned wood, so that wood-sawing was an occupation of considerable importance. During the war of 1813



wood became rather scarce, and some people used dried turf, or peat, as it was called, for fuel.

### Boots and Shoes Cleaned.

YORK MORRIS respectfully informs the Gentlemen of Salem, that he has taken the Shop one door west of the Sun Tavern, where he will be happy to clean their Boots and Shoes in the best manner, and at the shortest notice.——He will keep constantly for sale *LIQUID BLACKING* of a very superior quality, in jugs and bottles. Also, a Composition, with which he cleans *Ladies' Walking Shoes*.  
April 18.

This York Morris was father of the Boston colored lawyer, Robert Morris.

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### *Boots and Shoes Cleaned.*


THOMAS JONES respectfully informs the Gentlemen of Salem, that he has taken the Shop (recently occupied by York Morris) two doors west of the Sun Tavern, where he will be happy to clean their BOOTS and SHOES in the best manner, and at the shortest notice.

Salem, June 13.

## Wood-Sawing.

THE Subscriber, being under the interdict of a Non-Intercourse law, his horses and waggons hauled into dry-dock, will no longer carry freight between Salem and Boston; but, "abandoning the ocean altogether," he respectfully offers his services to his federal friends, with his saw and wooden horse, and shall be obliged to them to call upon him when they have any wood to cut. Orders will be received at his dwelling, near the Court-house.

JOHN L. MATTHEWS.

 Wanted to hire—two smart men. June 11 [1811].

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Specific for a "religious hydrophobia" in 1819.

### *Cochranism Delineated,*

Or a description of, and specific for, a religious Hydrophobia, which has spread & is still spreading in a number of towns in the counties of York and Cumberland, District of Maine—price 12 1-2 cents—for sale at the Bookstore of

June 12.

HENRY WHIPPLE.

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The following is printed in the "Massachusetts Mercury:"—

From the GEORGIA GAZETTE.

*Vice Consulship of Spain for the States of North  
Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.*

Messrs. Nicholas Johnston and Co.

*Gentlemen,*

His Excellency Lieut. Colonel Don Vincent Folch, Governor of the Province of West Florida, in a letter, dated Panzacola, 1st August, has been pleased to communicate to me the following :

“I have issued a proclamation, offering FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS to any person who will deliver here, or in *Apalache*, the body of WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BOWLES, or else produce sufficient proof of having killed him ; which information I will thank you to make public, in order that some clever fellow, at the cheap rate of one gun shot, will place in his pocket the said sum, which shall be paid, with the greatest acknowledgment of gratitude, in good Spanish dollars, without the least delay.”

Therefore I request you to give this a conspicuous place in your paper. It is, doubtless, a very interesting subject to *Spain*, *America*, and the Indians, that they be rid of this noted vagabond.

I remain, with respect,

Your obedient servant,

EMANUEL RENGILL.

*Savannah, 25th August, 1800.*

## *Progress of Refinement in America.*

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### INDIANS' SCALPS.

*Pittsburg, May 17, 1791.*

WE the subscribers, encouraged by a large subscription, do promise to pay One Hundred Dollars for every hostile Indian's scalp, with both ears to it,\* taken between this date and the 15th day of June next, by any inhabitant of Alleghany county.

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>George Wallace,</i>  | <i>Robert Elliot,</i> |
| <i>Wm. Amberfon,</i>    | <i>A. Tannehill,</i>  |
| <i>J. Wilkins, jun.</i> | <i>John Irwin.</i>    |

[\* The shape of the ears, we suppose, is to determine the enmity of the Indian.]

*Salem Gazette.*

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A negro "pretends to be very religious."  
From the "Boston Gazette."

RAN away from me the Subscriber at *Londonderry*, in the Province of *New-Hampshire*, on the 28th of *September*, a Negro Man Servant named *Prince*, about Forty Years of Age, about five Feet five Inches high, speaks good *English*, had on when he went away a green Coat, blue plush Breeches, diaper Jacket, several pair of thread Stockings with him; he looks very serious and grave, and

pretends to be very religious: He is the property of Major *Rogers*, and has been several Years in the Service to the Westward, and pretends to be free.

Whoever will take up said Slave and bring him to me, or to Capt. *Jonathan Brewer* at *Framingham*, shall have FIVE DOLLARS Reward and all necessary Charges paid by me,

*James Rogers.*

*Dated at Londonderry, October 8, 1762.*

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In the "Boston Gazette," Oct. 8, 1759, some servants are advertised who among other accomplishments speak high & low Dutch. At this time two dollars and a half was the value of a pound in New York currency, while the New England currency was three dollars and thirty-three cents to a pound. To this day a shilling is  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents in New York, and in New England  $16\frac{2}{3}$  cents.

**R**UN away from Major Edmond Matthis of Albany, in the Province of New-York, the following People, viz. A Servant Man named William Fairfield, of a dark Complexion, down look, black Hair, and of a middling Stature. Also a Negro Man and Woman, and a white Girl with them, about 14 Years of Age, who talks good English,

*high and low Dutch ; the Negro Man is much pitted with the Small Pox, and speaks good English ; tis suppos'd they are all together: They took with them a great many Cloaths, and its probable they will often alter their Dress. Whoever takes up said Run-aways, and safely conveys them to their abovesaid Master, shall have Ten Pounds (25 Dollars) New-York Currency Reward, and all necessary Charges paid.*

Albany, Octob. 1, 1759. EDMOND MATTHIS.

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Dr. Greenwood, of Boston, in 1788 offered his services to “give a youthful air to the countenance,” and was ready to “electerise” any persons who stood “in need of that almost universal remedy.”

*ISAAC GREENWOOD,*

DENTIST,

**A**CQUAINTS the publick, that he has REMOVED from N<sup>o</sup> 49 to N<sup>o</sup> 19, Marlborough Street, opposite Messrs. AMORYS' Store, where he continues to perform the necessary branches of that art, carefully and faithfully. Removing every substance tending to destroy the Teeth and Gums. Cures the Scurvy in the Gums, makes the Teeth white, &c. Sells BRUSHES that are suitable for


the Teeth, with a POWDER that never fails to recommend itself, at  $1\frac{1}{4}$  per box. Fixes NATURAL TEETH on plates of gold or silver, with gold springs, if wanted. *Also*, substitutes ARTIFICIAL TEETH, of different substances, from 2*s*. to 6*s*. each—that give a youthful air to the countenance, and render pronounciation more agreeable and distinct—In a word, both natural and artificial are of such real service, as are worthy the attention of every one. He with pleasure attends on those who may incline to employ him, provided they cannot conveniently attend on him, at his HOUSE, where he has every accommodation necessary for their reception.

*At the same place may be had,*



Oil, Silk, and Ladies' UMBRELLAS, cheap. Old Umbrellas repaired, oiled, newly covered, &c. Oil Silk CAPS for bathing, German Flutes, Fifes, Violins, and Strings for ditto, Reeds for hautboys, Men, Boxes and Dice for back-gammon, Chefs men, Billiard Balls, Ivory Combs, a variety of Canes, by wholesale and retail. Cane Strings, Whips, electrical Machines with apparatus for experiments and medical use—artificial Magnets, &c. &c. &c.

N. B. Said GREENWOOD offers his service to electrify those who stand in need of that almost universal remedy, at  $1\frac{1}{6}$  each time, at his House.

 Advise with your physicians. MAY 3, 1788.

REMOVAL.

*Boston Umbrella Manufactory.*

DANIEL HEWES,




UMBRELLA Manufacturer ;  
takes this early opportunity to  
inform his friends and the Public in  
general, that he has Removed from  
the North-Square, to

*No. 55, Marlborough-Street,*

at the sign of the UMBRELLA—

where may be had any quantity, quality, or sized  
UMBRELLAS, at the shortest notice, made of bet-  
ter materials, cheaper, and more durable than can be  
imported. *Also,*

Turned Work in Ivory, hard Woods, and  
Metals, executed in the best stile of workmanship.

 *Cash given for Ivory, Sea-horse, and Sea-cows*  
TEETH. (8w) March 14 [1798].

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The following—supposed to be—attempt  
at wit appeared in the “Massachusetts Centi-  
nel” in 1789.

ADVERTISEMENTS EXTRA.

IMPORTED in the last vessels from Europe, A  
treatise on ogling, simpering, flirting, gigling,  
painting, patching, perfuming, &c. very useful to



every *Lady*—and much in demand. Also, The Art of burning dimples in ladies' cheeks and chins—of repairing female tongues that wear with using—of setting eyes *fashionably* in their sockets—of giving the face a *beautiful pale*, deathlike aspect—and of acquiring the elegant hyfterick and other fits.

*TO BE SOLD*—Many elegant and beautiful copies of a most scarce and valuable work, called "*The Virtue of the Times*." Inquire any where.

*LOST*—Through carelessness, *thirty good years of life*—of a gentleman—*ALSO, forty-two years of a lady*—the latter, from a desire to appear *beautifully* slim. Whoever can inform the losers how they can be redeemed, shall be handsomely rewarded.

*EXTRA—BUT SERIOUS.*

*WANTED*—much *wanted*—several *small sums of money*—say, from 4/6. to Ten Dollars—for which *obligations*, which have frequently been *offered*, will be *given*. Inquire of the *Printer*.

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A Boston paper of 1789 prints the following unique production, copied from a late London paper. It was probably designed as a "take-off" to some of the humbugs of the day.

## THOMAS TOUCHWOOD, GENT.,

Proposes, on the last day of the present month, to shoot himself by subscription. His life being of no farther use to himself or his friends, he takes this method of endeavouring to turn his death to some account; and the novelty of the performance, he hopes, will merit the attention and patronage of the publick.

He will perform with two pistols, the first shot to be directed through his *abdomen*, to which will be added another through his brain, the whole to conclude with staggering convulsions, grinning, &c., in a manner never before publicly attempted.

The doors to be opened at eight, and the exhibition to begin precisely at nine. Particular places, for that night only, reserved for the ladies. No money to be returned, nor half price taken. *Vivant Rex et Regina.*

N. B. Beware of counterfeits and impostors.—The person who advertises to hang himself the same night, in opposition to Mr. Touchwood, is a taylor, who intends only to give the representation of death by dancing in a collar, an attempt infinitely inferior to Mr. T's original and authentic performance.

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Probably camels were not seen in America before 1789. Increased interest attaches to the following advertisement from the fact that

the exhibition was held near the very pump which Hawthorne commemorates in "Twice-Told Tales." This notice is taken from the "Salem Mercury," Aug. 4, 1789.

### TO THE CURIOS.

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*To be seen at Mr. BENJAMIN DALAND's, near the town-pump, Salem.*

## TWO CAMELS,

*Male and Female, imported from Arabia.*

THESE stupenduous Animals are most deserving the attention of the curious, being the greatest natural curiosity ever exhibited to the publick on this continent. They are 19 hands high—have necks near 4 feet long—have a large bunch on their backs, & another under their breasts, in the form of a pedestal, on which they support themselves when lying down—they have 4 joints in their hind legs, and will travel 12 or 14 days without drinking, and carry a burthen of 1500 wt.—they are remarkably harmless and docile, and will lie down and rise at command.

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*Abraham was old and well stricken in age: And the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. And Abraham said unto his eldest Servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Thou shalt go unto my Country, and to my Kindred, and take a Wife*

*unto my Son Isaac. And the Servant took ten Camels, of the Camels of his Master, and departed; and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city Nahor. And he made his Camels to kneel down without the city, by a well of water, at the time of the evening, even the time that Women go out to draw water. Pure wisdom directed the Servant, and succeeded him in obtaining the consent of the Parents, Brethren and Kindred of Rebecca, that she should go to the Land of Canaan, and become the Wife of Isaac. And they sent away Rebecca, their Sister, with her Damsels and her Nurse, & Abraham's Servant, & his men, and they rode upon the Camels. — Gen. xxiv.*

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N. B.—The CAMELS will go from this town this evening.

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In 1796 a mermaid was exhibited in Salem, and in 1800 a cassowary bird. The admission fee to the latter curiosity was for “grown persons”  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents, and for children  $6\frac{1}{4}$  cents. The exact change could then be easily made, as the Spanish silver ninepences ( $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents) and fourpence halfpence ( $6\frac{1}{4}$  cents) were more common than any other silver pieces. The American dimes and half-dimes had not at

that time got much into circulation in New England.

## NATURAL CURIOSITY



*To be seen at Washington Hall, for this day only,*


### THE CASSOWARY,

*A Bird, from the East Indies.*

**I**TS height is 5 feet, weighs near 100 pounds; it will eat half a peck of apples at a meal, swallow whole eggs, also stones and apples as large as eggs, and jump to a great height.—Goldsmith says, in his history of Animated Nature, it has the head of a Warrior, the eye of a Lion, the defence of a Porcupine, and the swiftness of a Courser.

It is fond of all kinds of vegetables and fruits. It will pick a pea out of a Child's hand without injury. Many that have seen it, say it is the greatest curiosity of the kind ever exhibited here.

Children of seven years old can ride it.—Admittance for grown persons 9 pence—Children half price.

 *The remarkable bird, called the CASSOWARY, now exhibiting in this town, is described by Goldsmith in his 3d volume of Animated Nature, page 39, American edition.—After describing him, the Doctor observes, that “the southern parts of the most eastern Indies seem to be its natural climate. His domain, if we may so call it, begins where that of the ostrich terminates. The latter has never been found beyond the Ganges; while the Cassowary is never seen nearer than the islands of Banda, Sumatra, Fava, the Molucca islands, and the corresponding parts of the continent. Yet even here this animal seems not to have multiplied in any considerable degree, as we find one of the kings of Fava making a present of one of these birds to the captain of a Dutch ship, considering it as a very great rarity.”*

*Gazette, August 8, 1800.*

The following notice, taken from the “Salem Gazette,” July 13, 1790, has an interest to us from what it says of the likenesses “produced from a Spark of Electricity.” It is difficult to conjecture what this means; though additional interest is derived from the fact of these likenesses having been presented by Dr. Franklin’s grandson.

## AMERICAN MUSEUM.

**M**R. PEALE, of Philadelphia, has lately received a number of donations for his Cabinet of Curiosities. Among them were

Likenesses of the King and Queen of France, executed on white satin, and each produced by a single spark of electricity.—Presented by WM. TEMPLE FRANKLIN, Esq.—And

The Finger of Mr. Broliman (a provincial officer in the British service, in the war before the last) who was executed at Philadelphia for the murder of a Mr. Scull. This unfortunate gentleman, soured by some disgust, became weary of life. In this temper of mind, he one morning rose earlier than usual, and walked out upon the common of the city, with his fusée in hand, determined to shoot the first person he should meet. The first person he saw was a very pretty young girl, whose beauty disarmed him. The next presented was the late Dr. Cadwallader—The Doctor, bowing politely to Mr. Broliman (who, though unknown to him, had the garb and appearance of a gentleman) accosted him with “Good morning, Sir! What sport?” The Officer answered the Doctor very civilly; and was so struck with his gentlemanly manner and pleasing address, that he forebore to execute his desperate resolution: Impelled, however, by the same gloominess of disposition which actuated him when he first set out, he repaired to the Centre house, where some gentlemen were engaged at billiards—The tack of one of the players

happening to strike his hat, the wretched man, eager for an opportunity of accomplishing his desire to leave the world, instantly shot Mr. Scull, one of the company, who died of the wound.

This little story affords a striking proof, that amiableness and politeness of manners are not only pleasing, but useful, in our commerce with the world.

Salem always was famous for its collections of natural and historical curiosities, and many of its houses are now well stocked with such things. Among these collections we may mention Mr. Geo. R. Curwen's antique family portraits, china, clothing, and furniture; Mr. M. A. Stickney's rare coins, old paper money, and books, autographs, etc.; Mr. H. F. Waters's rare ancient furniture (Mr. Waters is now in London, engaged in historical research in reference to American families); Mr. John Robinson's remarkable collection of Chinese coins, and scarce views of old houses of Salem; Mr. T. F. Hunt's valuable collection of Chinese books and pictures; Rev. Dr. Bolles's fine collection of works on London; Rev. B. F. McDaniel's collection of engravings, etc.; Mr. N. J. Holden's and



Mr. F. P. Richardson's collections of illustrated books, autographs, etc. ; besides numerous minor collections. It is not too much to say that Professor E. S. Morse's collection of Japanese pottery is certainly not surpassed in the world ; the South Kensington collection in London, which is the best in Europe, does not approach it in size or importance. One of the best museums of our country was started in Salem in the latter part of the last century, and that collection is now, as is well known, in charge of the Peabody Academy of Science. Its objects of natural history have in recent years been carefully classified and arranged under the direction of Dr. Henry Wheatland, Professors Morse, Putnam, Packard, and Robinson ; and its cabinets, together with those of the Essex Institute, now contain probably more unique and valuable specimens than are to be found elsewhere in this country.

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The "silhouette," or cheap portrait cut in black paper, was much in vogue in New England some seventy or eighty years ago. The


process was named from M. Silhouette, an honest French minister who about 1759 was noted for his advocacy of economy in everything relating to the public welfare. He received a great deal of ridicule, and hence all inexpensive things were said to be *à la Silhouette*. At the rooms of the Essex Institute, and in many houses in Salem, there are numerous silhouettes of former citizens of the place. Those who remember the originals consider the likenesses often very striking.

### *CORRECT PROFILE LIKENESSES.*

MOSES CHAPMAN

Informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Salem that he has taken a shop next to Mr. Morgan's, in North street, *Salem*, where he will take PROFILES in the newest and most elegant style: two of one person for 25 cents, or if desired, will paint and shade them for 75 cents.



 FRAMES, of different kinds and prices, for the Profiles may be had at the above place.

Salem, January 23, 1808.

*Salem Register.*



MR. BROWN

**R**ESPECTFULLY informs the Public that having met with so extensive encouragement, he is induced to continue to cut and frame Profiles at Morse's Inn, opposite Boylston Market. Price for cutting 12½ cents.

N. B. His customers are requested to apply in the morning, noon or evening, on account of his absence at other times.

Oct. 15.

*N. E. Palladium*, 1819.



In September, 1808, we have a notice of a circus, in which the horsemanship, according to the representations, must have equalled that of Barnum's people. It is not common to find

much editorial comment in the papers of the time on such exhibitions, from which we judge that they were not considered first-class entertainments, and were not as much patronized by the clergy as at the present day.

AT THE  
**C I R C U S**  
IN BROAD-STREET, SALEM,  
*WILL BE EXHIBITED,*  
This Evening,  
*(If the weather permit ; if not, the first fair evening)*  
A GRAND SCENE OF  
**Horsemanship,**  
Consisting of a number of HORNPIPES, danced by  
the Company on different Horses, while in full  
speed.  
Mr. CRANDEL Dances the Hornpipe and Jumps  
the Whip.  
Mr. FRANKLIN Dances the Hornpipe ; Rides  
with his Toe in his Mouth ; he also Leaps from the  
Ground to his Horse in various ways.  
Mr. STEWART Dances the Hornpipe ; Jumps  
a great height from his Horse, and with surprizing

agility throws himself into different attitudes while his horse is in full speed.

PETER dances the Hornpipe and Jumps the Whip; also, standing erect on his toes, rides in full speed once round the Circus.

Mr. STEWART performs the picking up of four Handkerchiefs from the ground; he also stands erect on his horse, while his horse leaps a board 3 feet from the ground.

PETER, the young African, riding backwards, dances a hornpipe; changes his position in a number of extraordinary leaps; jumps out of one hoop into another; and also, with one leap, jumps twice through a hoop; in once round the Circus leaps 4 quarters; and rides two Horses, one forward of the other.

The Horse *Phœnix* lies down, sits up, and eats from the table with his master.

The Grand Still Vaulting, by the Company.

Many other Extraordinary Feats performed during the Exhibition.

The performance to conclude with the Brother Miller.

*The Doors opened at 5 o'clock in the Evening. The Performance begins at 6.*

*Price, Boxes 1 Dollar, Pit 50 Cents.—Tickets to be had at the Circus and at the Salem Hotel.*

Those who please to favor the performers with their presence, are requested to take Tickets before

the exhibition commences.—No pains will be spared to render the Entertainment as agreeable as possible.

Sept. 27, 1808.

### Monstrous Sight!

TO be seen at A. POLLARD's Tavern, Elm Street—A white Greenland Sea BEAR, which was taken at sea, weighing 1000 wt. This animal lives either in the sea or on the land. They have been seen several leagues at sea, and sometimes floating on cakes of ice.—This animal displays a great natural curiosity.—Admittance 12 1-2 cts. . children half price.  
april 28.

[Boston] *Columbian Centinel*, 1810.

Just before the declaration of the last war against Great Britain "Non-Intercourse Quills" were for sale. This reminds us that most young people know but little about quills of any kind, and probably not one in a hundred knows, in these days, how to make a quill pen. Quills were in pretty general use for writing until about 1835 or 1836, when steel pens took their place to some extent, although quill pens were used by many down to a


comparatively recent period, and occasionally a person may now be seen using one. Steel and silver pens were made by Shakers as early as 1824, and Cushing & Appleton had steel pens as early as 1811, according to an advertisement in the "Salem Gazette."

### STEEL PENS

JUST received for sale by  
CUSHING & APPLETON,  
Oct. 6th, 1811.

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### NON-INTERCOURSE QUILLS.

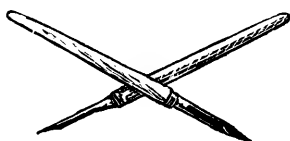
CUSHING & APPLETON have still on hand a few thousand *English* QUILLS, which for a short time will be sold at the present low rate, for specie, or bills of any of the banks in Essex or Boston.— Persons in want of Quills will please to recollect, that in about *two or three weeks* the NON-INTERCOURSE with *Great Britain* takes place, which in all probability will continue during the short time that Nation may exist, at least. Such another opportunity for purchasing can therefore never occur.

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Jan. 14, 1811.

J. Greenleaf sold steel pens in Boston in 1812.

Steel Pens,



A FURTHER supply of the celebrated STEEL PENS is received by J. GREENLEAF, No. 49, Cornhill.

march 11 [1812].

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SUPERIOR DESK KNIVES,

MANUFACTURED in Paris of Damascus Steel and warranted.

*Also*—an assortment of Steel & Silver Pens, from the Shaker Village.

For sale by

JOHN M. IVES,

Dec. 11 [1824].

*Essex street.*

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Many young people do not know that in old times blotting-paper of the kind now in use had not been introduced. Black sand was used altogether for drying the ink on freshly written letters or ordinary writing, except in books, when the writers either waited for the ink to dry, or made China paper, taken from the inside of tea-chests, a blotter. Black sand was in general use until within thirty years or thereabouts. We have seen the sand adhering



to writing which had been done more than a century. No writing-desk was complete without a sand-box.

## BLACK SAND,

WHICH is so useful to all who have any thing to do with penmanship—for sale, at No. 34, opposite the Treasurer's-Office, in *Marlborough-Street*.

 BOOKS and STATIONARY, as usual.

*Boston, May 29, 1790.*

*Columbian Centinel.*

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## *Country Traders,*


Who are in search of penny-worths, are invited to the STORE of

John & Tho's Amory & Co.

No. 41, *Marlborough-Street*.

*Columbian Centinel, 1790.*

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 IF the Small Pox should be allowed to spread in this town [Boston], the Editor assures his country customers that every precaution in his power shall be taken, that no part of his papers shall convey the infection into the country.—But it is his belief

*that it will not be permitted to spread—and his wishes accord with his belief, having never had the infection. Should he be necessitated to inoculate, he shall withdraw himself from his office and leave the business in the care of a person who will use every caution necessary for the purpose.*

*Columbian Centinel, Aug. 29, 1792.*

WHEREAS a Person who called himself by the Name of *Charles Brown*, did on the 29th of *June* last, hire a Chaise of *Israel Davis*, of *Danvers*, to go to *Boston*; since which the said Chaise has not been returned: This is to give Notice to any one who will discover the said *Brown* or Chaise, and leave Word with the Printers hereof, a Reward of Ten Dollars for each, will be given by

*Israel Davis.*

The said *Brown* is of a middling Stature, thin, looked sickly and very poor, as if he had had the yellow Fever: He is about 30 Years of Age; wears short black Hair, tied with a black Ribbon; has a blue German Serge Surtout Coat, faced with blue Calamancoe, yellow Buttons; a whitish Coat and Breeches; blue Sattin Jacket, with a narrow scollop'd Silver Lace: He has also a yellowish Thicksett

Coat, blue Plush Waistcoat, yellow Leather Breeches, a laced Hat, and ruffled Shirts; appears and pretends to be a Gentleman, and has a Person with him as a Waiter, who calls himself Capt *Stutson*.

The Chaise has standing Posts with a Canvas Top, the Lining is cloth coloured Broad-Cloth; the back is warped by the Sun and cracked; the Leather at the Bottom of the Floor old; large Brass Nails on the Foot Board; the Door of the Box is pricked with Awl-Holes; one of the Staples thro' which the Reins go on the Saddle is loose; The off-wheel has two Grips thereon.

*Danvers, July 10, 1762.*

*Boston Gazette.*

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### THIS DAY PUBLISHED,

And to be Sold at the New Printing Office in Cornhill (Price four Coppers),

THE TWO MOTHERS; or The History of *Antigone* and *Phronissa*; Shewing how *Antigone* laughed at her good old Grandmother, and married her Daughters, before Sixteen, to a laced Coat and a fashionable Wig.—and how the wiser *Phronissa* instructed her Daughters in Reading, Dressing, Singing, Dancing, Visiting, &c. in order to make them happy and useful in the rising Age.


*Boston Gazette, Oct. 8, 1759.*

### *New Establishment.*

THE Subscriber, desirous of doing all in his power whereby he can serve the public, and at the same time benefit himself, is induced to give this public notice, that he has removed to the New Assembly House, Chestnut Street, where he proposes opening a

#### RESTORATOR,

for the accommodation of all who may honor him with their calls. Ample arrangements have been made and he flatters himself that superior cooking and good attendance will secure the patronage of a liberal public.

 SOUP will be served up at 11 A. M. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays during the winter.

All kinds of Cakes, Wafers, French Rolls, &c. furnished at the shortest notice.

JOHN REMOND.

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#### *TURTLE SOUP.*

Two GREEN TURTLES will be served up, as above, *This Day*, at 11 and 1 o'clock. Families supplied by immediate application.

Salem, Oct. 24 [1815].

*Salem Gazette.*

*Speaking Figure.*

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THE Proprietor respectfully informs the publick that his exhibition will remain in *Boston* until sold or removed to *New-York*. More fully to gratify the curiosity of the publick, the Speaking Figure is moved to a part of the room which intirely removes the fuspicion of any one being concealed in the chimney.—Those who wish to see this most pleasing phenomenon of art will please to call soon, as this will positively be the last day.

Those who have viewed the exhibition in its former situation will be charged half price for re-admission—those who have not, are admitted at 1/6. each, from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 9 in the evening, by the Publick's most obedient,

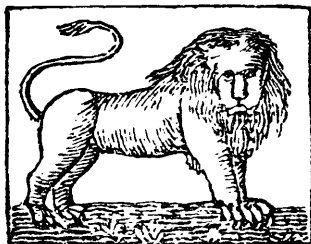
SAMUEL PRINCE.

*Boston, Oct. 16, 1790.*

*Columbian Centinel.*

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We frequently find in old Boston papers advertisements of rare beasts to be exhibited, —in December, 1800, a “Beautiful Moose,” and in August, 1801, a “Beautiful Lion.”



TO THE CURIOUS.

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## A beautiful African LION,

To be seen every day in the week (Sundays excepted) in *Brattle-street*, next to Major KING's, near the *Market*, where a very convenient situation is provided for those Ladies and Gentlemen who may please to favor the proprietor with their presence.

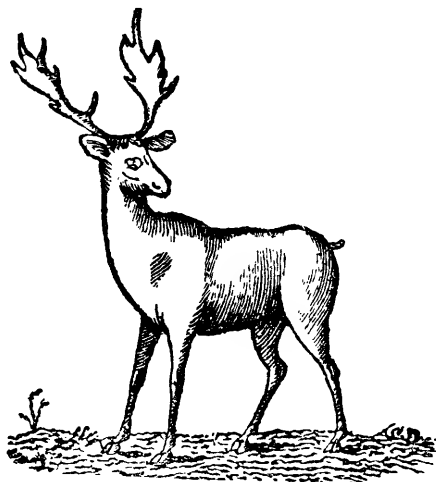
THIS noble Animal is between three and four feet high, measures eight feet from nostrils to tail, and a beautiful dun colour; 11 years old, and weighs near 500 wt.—His legs and tail are as thick as those of a common size ox. He was caught in the woods of Goree, in Africa, when a whelp; and brought from thence to New-York. Great attention has been paid in providing a strong substantial Cage, and to have the Lion under very good command. The person who has the care of him can

comb his mane, make him lie down and get up at any time ; and it is said by those who have seen Lions in the Tower of London, and many parts, that he is really worth the contemplation of the curious.

 *Admittance 25 Cents.—Children half price.*

Aug. 13 [1801].

*Boston Gazette.*



*A Beautiful MOOSE.*

THE curious in Natural History are invited to Major KING's Tavern, where is to be seen a fine young MOOSE of sixteen hands in height, and well proportioned. The properties of this fleet

and tractable Animal are such as will give pleasure and satisfaction to every beholder.

*Price of admittance, Nine Pence. Dec. 9, 1800.*

*Massachusetts Mercury.*

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We have before noticed the tastes of the people formerly for wax-work. In 1805 there was another curious collection in Salem.

### WAX-WORK.

STREET and GROSE respectfully acquaint the Ladies and Gentlemen of Salem that there is now exhibiting at Washington Hall a new and elegant collection of well executed WAX FIGURES, (large as life,) consisting of the following characters, viz.

A striking representation of the late unfortunate  
DUEL between

General Hamilton, and  
Colonel Burr.

In this interesting scene the General is represented as supported by his Second, after receiving the fatal wound, while the Second of Colonel Burr urges him to retire from the field.

An excellent likenefs of the  
Marquis De La Fayette.



## The Austere Father

Frowning upon his DAUGHTER, finding her  
with her Gallant.

## The handsome Coquette.

PROSPERO and CALABAN, a scene from the  
Tempest.

OTHELLO and DESDEMONA: this scene is  
taken from Shakespeare's celebrated play of the  
Moor of Venice. Othello is represented as medi-  
tating on the murder of his amiable and beautiful  
wife. The curtains that surround the bed of Des-  
demona are superb, and formerly encircled that of  
the Queen of France. The scene of Othello is an  
object of admiration.

## The SALEM BEAUTY

The FEMALE ECONOMIST, a Lady giving  
instructions to her Daughter.

TIANA, Prince of Atooi.

CALICUM, a Chief of Nookta Sound.

WYNEE, a native of Owyhee.

LIBERTY and JUSTICE supporting a portrait of  
Gen. WASHINGTON.

A BUST of General BONAPARTE, in Plaster of  
Paris, said to be a correct likeness.

A GLASS SHIP.

A Likeness of

A Child

Now living in Newhaven, which at its birth weighed  
only two pounds and fourteen ounces.

The Grecian Daughter,

Nourishing her Father in prison.

A striking likeness of

Jason Fairbanks,

Who was executed at Dedham, and of the beautiful

Eliza Fales:


He is dressed in the same Clothes that he wore at the  
time of his trial.

Also—Sundry other interesting Figures.  
Music on the Organ.

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The Exhibition will be open from nine o'clock in  
the morning until nine in the evening, (Saturday eve-  
ning and Sunday excepted,) and will be removed from  
this town shortly.

*Admittance 25 Cents—Children half price.*

 No person will be allowed to touch any of the  
figures above mentioned.

Salem, June 14.

Our grandfathers and grandmothers sometimes had dealings with large sums of money.

To the



CURIOS

TO be seen at *Jeremiah Bulfinch's*, near the Mill-Bridge, a live

H O G,

That is thought to be the biggest ever raised in this Country, weighing upwards of 1000 weight. The price for viewing of said quadruped is 4 pence.

March 2 [1791].

*Herald of Freedom.*

To Widow *Keziah Bartlett*.

YOUR Tax for 1810, committed to J. NEWELL for Collection, is

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JOSEPH NEWELL.

Feb. 24, 1813.

*Collector of Needham.*

*Boston Patriot.*

To Widow *Keziah Bartlett.*

YOUR Tax for 1811, committed to JESSE DANIELL for Collection, is

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JESSE DANIELL,

Feb. 24, 1813.

*Collector of Needham.*

*Boston Patriot.*

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NOTICE.

THE Annual Meeting of the *Boston Cent Society* will be holden at the House of Mrs. MARGARET PHILLIPS, Walnut street, on Tuesday, April 8th, at 11 o'clock A. M. The subscribers are requested to attend.

Per Order

April 5.

*Columbian Centinel, 1817.*

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ONE MILL REWARD.

RAN away from the subscriber, an indented Apprentice, of the name of JAMES BAILS. All persons are hereby forbidden to trust or harbor him on my account. (Signed)

THOMAS CAINES.

*South-Boston, August 8, 1817.*

*Columbian Centinel.*

The "Jews-Harp Club" indicates the state of music in Salem in 1815.

### *Jews-Harp Club.*

THE first meeting of this Society will be holden at the Essex Coffee House, *This Evening* at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing Officers and organizing the Society. *April 25, 1815.*

In 1814 the Essex Coffee House in Salem, formerly the residence of the Hon. William Gray (Lieutenant-Governor of Massachusetts), was opened by Prince Stetson, as the following advertisements show.

### *ESSEX COFFEE-HOUSE.*

PRINCE STETSON informs the public that he has closed the doors of the SALEM HOTEL and taken that spacious and elegant brick house, (the late mansion of the Hon. *Wm. Gray*), in ESSEX-STREET, a few rods west of the Sun Tavern, now known by the name of the ESSEX COFFEE-HOUSE; where he will be happy to accommodate Travellers, Parties, Fire Clubs, and all other guests who may honor him with their company.

He rests his claims for patronage on a Larder well supplied with the choicest viands which the markets afford—a cellar stocked with the best Wines and other Liquors which can be procured—and the assiduous attention of civil and capable Servants, together with his own personal exertions to give every satisfaction to his guests. [6w] *Salem, July 4, 1814.*


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## THE CLOSED DOOR—OPEN.

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THAT Mr. *Stetson*, on leaving the SALEM HOTEL, shut the door after him, is probable enough: it is what is expected of every well-bred man on leaving any house; but

*GRAY & CARTER*

beg leave to inform the public that the *door* is now *opened* again, and though the Hotel is not so spacious as the *Prince-ly* Mansion of their neighbour, yet being an old and well accustomed Stand, they flatter themselves that those gentlemen who have long frequented it, will not discontinue their custom, as no pains will be spared to accommodate Parties—Fire Clubs—steady Boarders, and all who may honor the house with their company.  Particular attention will be paid to Gentlemen's Horses and Carriages.

July 13 [1814].

We seldom hear nowadays of so scandalous an act as is here set forth; although there was a time in England when it was proved that murders were committed solely for the purpose of selling the bodies of the victims to surgeons for dissection.

### 500 Dollars Reward.

*Most daring and sacrilegious Robbery.*

**S**TOLEN, from the grave yard in Chebacco Parish in Ipswich, the bodies of eight persons, seven of whom were interred since the 13th of October last; the other, a coloured man, about six years ago. As without doubt they have all, ere this time, passed under the dissecting knife of the anatomist, either of the rude novice in the art or of the skilful professor, little hope is entertained of recovering any reliet of them for the consolation of the deeply afflicted friends. But whoever will give any information of this atrocious villainy, so as to detect and bring to justice, either the traders in this abominable traffic, or their inhuman employers, shall receive the above reward; and the thanks of an afflicted and distressed people.

WILLIAM ANDREWS jun.

THOMAS CHOATE

NATHAN BURNHAM

*Ipswich, Chebacco Parish,  
April 25th, 1818.*

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*Committee.*

Business in "Knocker's Hole" must have been brisker in 1811 than it has been of late years. Old Salem people will remember "Roast Meat Hill."

*Distress in the Baking Business!*

CASH spoiling for want of good labor, as my brethren have distressed me so by giving all the workmen in this town steady employ, so that I have not bread to oblige my good customers in season. To relieve myself, I offer to six Journeymen Bakers of other towns, who can recommend themselves by good and quick dispatch in that line of business, \$15 per month for this season.—*Wanted*, two LABORERS about the yard, two months or more; 8 in all more than my present number may have good employ by calling on

SAMUEL BATHRICK,

*Baker, Mill-street, Salem, Massachusetts, easily found by inquiry.*

July 12 [1811].

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Sport in 1821.

*TO SPORTSMEN.*

THE Subscriber, intending to give a grand treat to *Sportsmen and Sharp Shooters*, purposes to set up a number of fine TURKEYS to be fired at on



*FRIDAY, the 7th day of December next*, and invites all who are disposed for this purpose to attend.

Good accommodations will be found at his house.

JOHN T. DODGE, jr.

Wenham, Nov. 23, 1821.

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### *Sharp Shooting.*

THOMAS D. POUSLAND informs his friends and the friends of *Sport* that he will, on *FRI-DAY*, the 7th day of December next, set up for *SHOOTING* a number of

### Fine Fat TURKEYS,

and invites all the *gunners* and others, who would wish to recreate themselves, to call on *the day after Thanksgiving at the Old Baker's Tavern, Upper Parish, Beverly*, where every accommodation can be afforded.

Nov. 23.

*Salem Gazette.*

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What was expected of a governess in 1817.

### *WANTED.*

WANTED, an intelligent and well informed LADY, above or about forty years of age, as a governess, capable of instructing four young Children of her own sex in all the early branches, to reside in the family of their father, a gentleman of

high respectability in every sense of the word, and of considerable fortune and estate, upon which he dwells, in the vicinity of Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia. It will be expected that she understands and will undertake at same time the management and direction of the household and family concerns. For further information, application may be made to the subscriber, now residing for a short time at the house of Mr. Thomas Lewis, Cambridge-street, Boston, near Mr. Lowell's Meeting-house.

august 13.

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JOHN HOLKER.

*Columbian Centinel.*

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#### BULL-FIGHT IN NEW ENGLAND!

Many persons have supposed that bull-fights were never to be seen except in Spain; but it appears that in June, 1809, according to an advertisement in the "Essex Register," there was to be a bull-fight on the Salem turn-pike, near the "Half-way House" (to Boston). As there were no reporters in those days, we are unable to give an account of the exhibition.

#### *Sportsmen, Attend!*

THE gentlemen SPORTSMEN of this town and its vicinity are informed that a Grand Combat will take place between the URUS, ZEBU,

and Spanish BULL, on the 4th of July, if fair weather, if not, the next fair day, at the HALF-WAY HOUSE on the *Salem Turnpike*. There will also be exposed at the Circus, other ANIMALS, which, for courage, strength and sagacity are inferior to none. No danger need be apprehended during the performance, as the Circus is very convenient.

Doors opened at 3, performance to begin at 4. Tickets 50 cents.

After the performance there will be a grand FOX CHASE on the Marshes near the Circus, to start precisely at 6 o'clock.

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## General Fencing Exhibition.

MESSRS. TROMELLE & GIRARD,  
Fencing-Masters of the Military School of Col. de la Croix, respectfully inform the Gentlemen of Salem and its vicinity that they propose a

### FENCING EXHIBITION,

at which several amateurs will be present, and during which they will play the Small-Sword, Cut-and-Thrust, Broad-Sword, and Cudgel or Cane Fighting; to close with a Duel between Messrs. T & G., who will at first fight with Sabres, and afterwards with Small-Swords, until one of the parties falls weltering in blood.

The Exhibition will be on FRIDAY, the 30th

inf., at 7 o'clock P. M., at the Military School,  
Washington Hall, Court street.

*Terms of admission, One Dollar.*

Tickets to be had at Mr. Crombie's Salem Hotel,  
and at Mr. Tucker's Sun-Tavern. June 23.

*Essex Register.*

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Something like the stylographic pen was  
advertised in 1825 in Salem.

*The self-supplying*

## Pocket Writing Instrument,

OR

Scheffer's Patent Penograph.

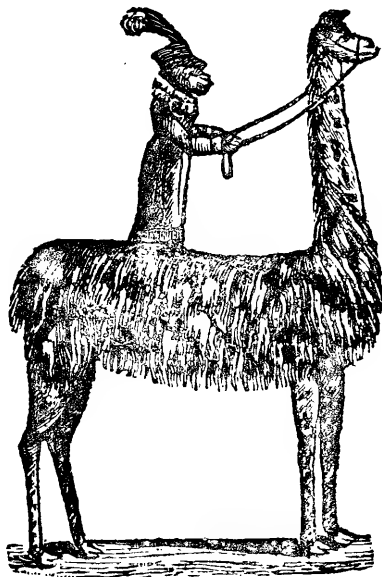


THE merit of this Instrument is that it contains  
Ink, and supplies itself as required, by which  
means the writer is enabled to use it for 10 or 12  
hours with the same ease as with a pencil, without  
the aid of an Inkstand; and is manufactured in Gold  
or Silver, either with or without a pencil case, and so  
constructed that either a Metallic or Quill Nib may  
be applied. For sale by

June 24 [1825].

J. R. BUFFUM.

A "caravan" of 1824.



A CARAVAN OF  
LIVING ANIMALS

Is now exhibiting at the Essex Coffee House, in this town.

**A**MONG the Animals are the following :—

The African Lion.

The beautiful spotted Lama, from the Coast of Peru.

The Mammoth Ox, 6 years old, 18 hands high,

16 feet in length, and raised in Chenango county, State of New York. He is well worthy the attention of the public.

The Dwarf Cow, 7 years old, 2 feet 4 inches in height, and is handsomely proportioned. This most extraordinary and wonderful production of nature has been visited by a large number of persons, in different cities, and is pronounced a complete model in miniature of her kind; she is so short that she can pass under the belly of the large Ox.

The Heifer, 3 years old, having 6 legs, and is very active.

Two large Bears, very tractable and docile.

Dandy Jack.


Saucy Jack.

The Great Ribbed Nose Baboon.

The beautiful Deer, 2 years old.

The Ichneumon, an animal famous for destroying reptiles' eggs, and is worshipped by the Egyptians.

Also, a variety of other Animals, Birds, &c.

 Admittance 12 1-2 cents; Children under 12 years of age, half price. Open from 9 A. M. till 9 P. M., Saturday evenings excepted. The room is conveniently fitted, so that Ladies and Gentlemen can view the animals with perfect safety.

This Exhibition is attended with good Music on different instruments. Also, Music on the Leaf. The sounds produced by the Leaf are admired by the lovers of Music.

Jan. 30.

*Salem Gazette.*

It may be interesting to some of our readers to see what piano music was popular in 1827-1829.

Elias Hook, the celebrated organ-builder, of the firm of E. & G. G. Hook & Hastings, was a native of Salem and kept a music-store there, moving to Boston about 1830.

**NEW**  
**Piano Forte Music.**

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**J**UST published, and for sale by  
**ELIAS HOOK,**  
The Maltese Boat Song ; Polly Hopkins and Tommy Tompkins ; The Soldier's last Sigh ; 'Tis sweet to take the bonnie Lake ; When I left thy shores, O Naxos ; The merry Flageolet ; When young men come a sighing ; Comin' thro' the Rye ; Love was once a little Boy ; I've been Roaming ; My Heart and Lute ; Draw the Sword, Scotland ; Adventures of Paul Pry ; I have Fruit and I have Flowers ; The Washing Day ; The Light Guitar, and Answer ; Long Summers have smiled——&c. &c. [1827].

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**New Piano Music.**

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**Y**ON ROSE TREE. The Rock of our Salvation. Thou art my only Love. The days of good Queen Bess. Gipsej Rondo. Oh, 'tis Love.

As the evening Appearing. The cup of Love. The  
 Bells of St. Andrew's Tower. By murmuring brook.  
 The Banner of Battle. A fragrant Rose there grew.  
 My country no more. To live and Love. My own  
 native Isle. Mild is thine eye of blue, sweet maid.  
 Mary of the Ferry. Look you now. Love thee, yes,  
 too fondly, truly. Lovely Mary. Love in the Barn.  
 Bolivar's Peruvian Battle Song. There is a Love.  
 The Glasses sparkle on the Board. St. Patrick was  
 a Gentleman. The winter it is past. With Instruc-  
 tions—for the Piano &c. just received by  
 March 29 [1829]. J. M. IVES.

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In February, 1829, Mr. Nazro, of the Roundhill School (Northampton?), made the following singular challenge to Edwin Forrest, the tragedian. We do not know whether or not it was accepted.

The Boston Evening Bulletin of Wednesday last contains the following:—

“A CARD. If Mr. Edwin Forrest, the Tragedian, thinks that more effect can be produced by reading Tragedy than can be by reading from Scripture, Mr. Nazro, Instructor of Elocution, from Roundhill School, would deny it fully, and offers to meet him, Mr. Forrest, in any town in the United States, and read from Scripture, and Mr. Forrest shall read from Tragedy.

*Boston, 25th Feb., 1829.”*



The "draisena" was the forerunner of the velocipede and bicycle.



### THE DRAISENA.

AMBROSE SALISBURY, Wheelwright and Chaise-Maker, first introduced into this town [Boston] Machines similar to the one described below, and of which the plate will convey some idea; he has manufactured two, which may be examined at his Shop in Water-street, where the manner of using them will be explained. It is called Draisena, from the name of the Inventor. May 7.

*N. E. Palladium*, 1819.

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Advertisements of John Remond, for many years well known in Salem as a caterer. He used to advertise very freely. He was the

father of Charles Lenox Remond, the famous colored lecturer.

Salem,

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1820.

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## TURTLE SOUP.

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The subscriber will issue from his house in Chesnut-street, on Tuesday & Wednesday next, at from 12 to 1 o'clock, SOUP made from a superior fat Turtle, weighing over 200 wt.

His old customers and the public will be supplied as usual at 50 cts per quart.

J. REMOND.

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## NOTICE.

THE subscriber informs his customers that notwithstanding he has publicly discontinued the sale of OYSTERS, in consequence of their being in an unhealthy state during the months of July and August, still he is ready to supply them as usual, if called upon: he would observe, however, that he cannot hold himself responsible for the injurious effects they may produce on the system when eaten at this season of the year.

JOHN REMOND.

July 16 [1831].

## HAMILTON HALL, CHESTNUT STREET

**T**HIS Establishment having been purchased by a New Company, and undergone repairs, the interior of the same is so far completed that the subscriber is ready for the reception of GENTEEL PARTIES. The repairs and improvements already made; the furnace which heats the entire Dancing portion of the building,—entries, Supper Hall, etc.; the improved Chandelier, new Sofas, Ladies' drawing-room new carpeted and furnished in a comfortable manner; a reduction of former price of Hall; strict adherence to a uniform price of Help, and every care taken to select and furnish the most careful and obliging attendants, with the enchanting music of the SALEM QUADRILLE BAND, cannot fail to secure the patronage of a generous public. Did I say above, "enchanting music"? Yes. Without the fear of contradiction, during thirty years and upwards that it has been my privilege to conduct the affairs of Hamilton Hall, I have never heard from five instruments richer music sent forth than I did on the evening of the 27th November, ultimo.—There is one fact that should be known, and which is acknowledged by all who have performed there, that five pieces of music are better in Hamilton Hall than seven in any other Hall in the city.

As respects the subscriber, who is still to conduct the affairs of the establishment, suffice it to say that

those who have had the pleasure, for a long series of years, to participate in such matters, are the best judges of the style, comfort, etc.

R E M O N D.

N. B. With the extensive cooking apparatus and other advantages of the premises, Families who do not wish to disarrange their houses, or single gentlemen who are not at House-keeping, wishing to entertain their friends, can be accommodated at reasonable prices, and everything conducted in true family style.

J. R.

Salem, Dec. 16 [1844].









